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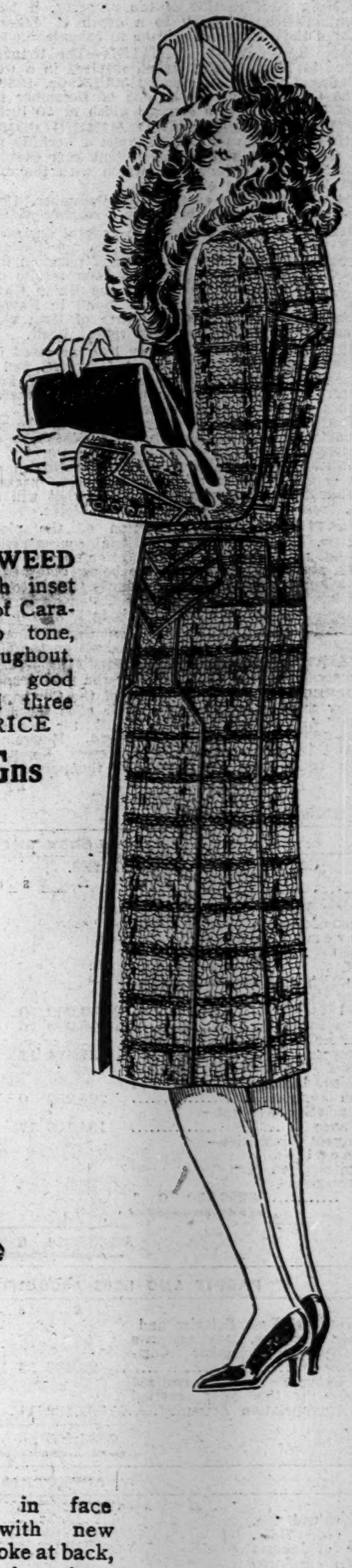

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ACCOUNTS—1. The Directors have pleasure in submitting the Company's Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Accounts for the financial year ended 30th June, 1930.

PROFITS—2. After providing for Depreciation and all other charges the profits for the year amount to £565,192 11s 7d. This sum, together with £181,497 5s. 7d. brought forward from the previous year, brings the total available profit to £746,689 17s 2d.

DIVIDENDS—3. The Directors, in December last, declared an Interim Dividend of 7½%, which was paid free of Income Tax. In June the Directors declared a further dividend of 7½% subject to the deduction of British Income Tax. These payments absorb £592,500 0s. 0d., and the balance carried forward to next account is £154,189 17s 2d.

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RESERVE FUND—4. The Company's Reserve Fund remains at £1,000,000.

VALUE OF SHAREHOLDINGS.—5. The value of the Company's shareholdings stands in the books at current market prices as at 30th June last, or below those figures.

FINANCIAL POSITION—6. The financial position of the Company continues to be strong and satisfactory.

MINING INTERESTS—7. The results of the operations of the various Gold Mining Companies controlled by the Company have been periodically published, as usual, and have all been of a gratifying nature.

During the twelve months ended 30th June last, the value of gold produced by the Mines of the Group was, approximately, £12,235,000.

The relations between the white employees and the Company's group of mines have, generally speaking, been satisfactory.

For the first half of the present year the supply of native labour to the Mines of the Group has been sufficient for requirements, but the limitations imposed by the Mozambique Convention on recruiting in Portuguese East Africa are adversely affecting the supply of labour from that source. Strong representations are being made to induce the Union Government to permit recruiting in areas not at present available.

GOVERNMENT GOLD MINING AREAS (MODDERFONTEIN) CONSOLIDATED, LIMITED—For the year ended 31st December last, 2,416,000 tons of ore were crushed, resulting in a working profit of £2,667,812, of which the Union Government received £1,448,863 as its share of the profit. The total sum paid to the Union Government now amounts to £12,982,803. Dividends totalling 90% have been paid for the twelve months ended 30th June last.

Sandfilling on an extensive scale has been introduced on the mine, and this will enable all the ore left in the pillars and supports (amounting to over one and three-quarter million tons) to be extracted.

The Ore Reserves at the end of the year were estimated to amount to 10,876,000 tons, with an average value of 8.9 dwts over a stoping width of 63 ins.

THE LANGLAAGTE ESTATE AND GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED—The ore treated during 1929 amounted to 968,500 tons, and resulted in a working profit of £311,832, showing an increase of £29,181 over the same period in 1928. Dividends totalling 17½% were paid for the period ended 30th June last.

The Ore Reserves at the end of the year were estimated to contain 1,596,000 tons, with a value of 7.4 dwts over a stoping width of 42 ins.

The increase in the monthly profits enabled the Company to raise its last half-yearly dividend from 7½% to 10%. Capital expenditure during 1929 was practically met by the sale of property and township stands.

The percentage of payability of the ore sampled shows considerable improvement.

NEW STATE AREAS, LIMITED—For the twelve months ended 31st December last, 918,000 tons of ore were crushed, resulting in a working profit of £710,274, an increase of £41,373 as compared with the previous year. The Union Government's share of profit absorbed £384,974, and dividends totalling 12½% were paid to the shareholders for the period ended 30th June last. Operations during 1929 were in every way satisfactory, and excellent progress has been made in the major development programme of the mine.

The Ore Reserves at the end of December last stood at 2,696,000 tons of an average value of 8.9 dwts over a stoping width of 50 inches.

THE RANDFONTEIN ESTATES GOLD MINING COMPANY, WITWATERSRAND, LIMITED—The ore treated during 1929 amounted to 2,528,000 tons, and resulted in a working profit of £246,705.

The Ore Reserves at the end of December, 1929, stood at 4,505,000 tons of an average value of 5.8 dwts. over a stoping width of 41 inches.

The monthly profits for the first half of the present year show considerable improvement, and the outlook is very encouraging. With a view to ensuring the future exploitation of the northern portion of the Main Reef Section of the property, it has been decided to sink the North Shaft of the old Randfontein Deep property to a depth of 4,600 feet. This work is being carried out, and it is anticipated that this shaft will be in commission by the end of next year.

VAN RYN DEEP, LIMITED—The tonnage milled for the twelve months to 31st December amounted to 748,000 tons, which resulted in a working profit of £502,217. Dividends totalling 32½% were declared for the year ended 30th June, 1930.

The Ore Reserves at the end of December last were estimated at 3,022,000 tons of an average value of 7.3 dwts over a stoping width of 50 inches.

WITWATERSRAND GOLD MINING COMPANY, LIMITED—In 1929 the tonnage milled amounted to 641,000 tons, and showed a working profit of £15,347. The increase shown in the monthly profits for the first half of the present year enabled the Company to declare a dividend of 5% for the six months to 30th June last, which with the dividend of 2½% declared in December, 1929, makes a total of 7½% for the year.

The Ore Reserves at the 31st December, 1929, were estimated to amount to 372,000 tons, with an average value of 5.4 dwts over a stoping width of 53 inches.

DIAMOND MINES—8. The general depression has affected the diamond trade very severely, and has led to greatly reduced sales. As the United States is the Industry's principal customer it was hoped that the settlement of the tariff question in that country would result in increased business, but its effect was overshadowed by the after results of the financial crisis. The position has been aggravated by the methods adopted by the Union Government in the disposal to South African cutters of part of the Government diamonds found in Namaqualand. However, periods of depression have been experienced previously, but in course of time have passed away, and the vitality of the trade gives every assurance that history will repeat itself.

COPPER—9. The Company has increased its interest in the Northern Rhodesian Copper Fields. Mr. Lawn, one of the Company's Directors, and Mr. Beatty, the Company's Consulting Engineer in South Africa, paid a visit to these fields last December and found that the progress made had been excellent. Further exploration has enhanced their value and importance. Development and equipment are being proceeded with energetically.

There has been a considerable fall in the price of copper during recent months, but the grade and conditions appertaining to these mines are such as to enable them favourably to compete with other copper producing districts of the world.

Although these fields remain under British control, American interests are largely represented, and it is the desire of all parties to work harmoniously together. Approximately the latter part of 1931 should see the commencement of what will undoubtedly prove a large and increasing copper production from the Northern Rhodesian Fields.

PLATINUM—10. The portion of the plant at the Rustenburg property of Potgietersrust Platinums, Ltd., for the gravitational concentration of the ore commenced work in January last, but it was not until June that the flotation section of the plant was completed. The plant is now working steadily, and improved results are being obtained. The grade of ore is well up to expectations, and the development of the mine continues satisfactory. The fall however, in the price of platinum, which is now lower than it has ruled for fifteen years, renders the position somewhat difficult. The Directors are of opinion, notwithstanding this fact, that it will be possible to work the mines profitably.

COAL INTERESTS—11. The Company continues to receive a steady revenue from its coal interests. The sinking of the new shaft on the New Springs Colliery has now been completed.

ESTATES AND TOWN PROPERTIES—12. There has been a steady sale of building sites on the Lower Houghton Estate during the period under review.

DIRECTORS—13. In terms of the Company's Articles of Association the four following Directors retire by rotation and being eligible offer themselves for re-election, viz.: Mr J. G. Lawn, C.B.E., Sir Reginald Andrew Blankenberg, K.B.E., Sir Robert N. Kotzé and Mr J. Emrys Evans, C.M.G.

ELECTION OF AUDITORS—14. Messrs. W. Fergusson and S. Thomson, the Auditors of the Company in Johannesburg, and Messrs. Kemp, Chatteris, Nichols, Sendell & Co., the Auditors in London, retire from office and offer themselves for re-election.

By Order of the Board,
THOMAS HONEY, M. N. NICOLSON, } Secretaries.

11th September, 1930.

BALANCE SHEET, 30th June, 1930.

Dr. CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES.	£ s d	£ s d	Cr. ASSETS.	£ s d
Authorised Capital—(Under Resolution of 23rd November, 1905)	4,500,000 0 0		Stocks and Shares	4,609,684 9 4
of which £4,345,000 is Registered Capital.			Mining Properties including Advances to Mining Companies	156,790 17 4
Capital Issued		3,950,000 0 0	Real Estate and Buildings	296,678 7 9
Reserve Fund		1,000,000 0 0	Office Furniture, etc.	6,100 14 1
Sundry Creditors and Credit Balances		931,474 11 0	Loans on Mortgage and Real Estate	219,343 7 10
Dividend No. 38 of 7½% less British Income Tax, declared 18th June		296,250 0 0	Loans at Short Call on Market and other Securities	3,223 5 0
Appropriation Account—Balance		154,189 17 2	Sundry Debtors and Dividends Accrued	951,498 14 5
Contingent Liabilities—Uncalled Capital on Investments, &c. £296,750 0 1			Cash at Bankers and in hand	88,584 12 5
		£6,331,914 8 2		£6,331,914 8 2

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT for the Year ended 30th June, 1930.

Dr.	£ s d	Cr.	£ s d
To Directors' Fees, Salaries and other Expenses, less Amounts received from other Companies	29,462 18 10	By Profits realised on Stocks and Shares, Dividends, and Sundry Revenue, less provision for Income Tax, and Amounts written off	594,655 5 5
To Balance being realised profits for the year carried to Appropriation Account	565,192 11 7		
	£594,655 5 5		£594,655 5 5

APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT.

	£ s d	£ s d		£ s d
To Dividend No. 37 of 7½%, free of Income Tax, declared 17th December, 1929	296,250 0 0		By Balance of Profit and Loss Account at 30th June, 1929	181,497 5 7
To Dividend No. 38 of 7½%, less British Income Tax, declared 18th June, 1930	296,250 0 0	592,500 0 0	By Balance of Profit and Loss Account at 30th June, 1930	565,192 11 7
To Balance carried to Balance Sheet		154,189 17 2		
		£746,689 17 2		£746,689 17 2

S. B. JOEL, Chairman, A. R. STEPHENSON, } Directors.

THOMAS HONEY, Secretary.

We report to the Shareholders that we have audited the Accounts of the Johannesburg Office of the Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Company, Limited, dated 30th June, 1930, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. The Balance Sheet of the Johannesburg Office of the Company is in our opinion properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs in Johannesburg according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Company in Johannesburg. We have also verified the securities in South Africa. The Company has kept proper books and records.

SAML. THOMSON, Chartered Accountant, W. FERGUSSON, Chartered Accountant, S.A. } Auditors.
Johannesburg, 5th July, 1930.

We report to the Shareholders that we have audited the Accounts of the London Office of the Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Company, Limited, dated the 30th June, 1930, and have obtained all the information and explanations we have required. The Audited Accounts of the Johannesburg Office of the Company have been properly incorporated in the above Balance Sheet and Profit and Loss Account and in our opinion the Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Company's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Company. We have verified the securities in London. The Company has kept proper books and records.

KEMP, CHATTERIS, NICHOLS, SENDELL AND CO., Chartered Accountants, Auditors.
London, 1st August, 1930.

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STILL SUPPORTED—INVESTMENT HINTS—HIGH LIGHTS IN KAFFIRS—UNCERTAIN OILS—THE RUBBER DÉBACLE.

(R. J. BARRETT, Financial Editor.)

Business remains quiet, but there is still evidence that important interests are supporting the Stock markets, and the bears are afraid to venture too far. Brokers are occupied mainly with investment orders, and in this connection a temporary setback in the gilt-edged group was followed by a strong recovery, accompanied by a repetition of the rumour that the 4 per Cent. War Loan is about to be replaced by another stock, Consolidated 4 per cent. being suggested. There is nothing inherently improbable in such an idea, though the plans of the Treasury are not likely to be revealed in advance, and the suggestion that the prospectus would appear yesterday proved unfounded. Holders of Australian Government stocks for the most part seem content to await the outcome of the steps that are being taken to rectify the difficult financial situation.

Home Railway traffics are still poor, and little interest is taken in the stocks, apart from Metropolitan and Underground Electrics, the former being eagerly bid for at the close on the idea that the line will be absorbed into the Underground system. Although no official confirmation was forthcoming, the market was convinced that this will prove correct. The dividend announcements of the Buenos Aires Great Southern and Buenos Aires Western Railways are postponed until next Wednesday. On Central Argentine Ordinary and Deferred the rate is 5 per cent., as expected, leaving the prices of the stocks steady. A substantial recovery in the value of the Argentine peso has followed the revolution, and the position in this, as well as other South American countries, is now considered to be more promising. Brazilian milreis have also rallied, but Leopoldinas remain weak on the prospect of the interim dividend being passed.

In the Foreign market French 5 per cent. and 4 per cent. loans improved, and the buying was attributed to the French Government, apparently with a view to cancellation. A sharp fall in German 5½ per cent. preceded the publication of the Budget figures, but some recovery ensued. Chinese loans met with some support, and Peruvian Corporation Preference were bought for the coming dividend.

ARGENTINE RAILS.

Market expectation that the Central Argentine Railway's final Ordinary dividend would make 5 per cent. in all for the year ended June, as compared with 7 per cent. for the preceding year, was verified by the announcement at the week-end. The reduction was regarded as inevitable in view of the gross traffic decrease of £2,624,000 for the year. The dividend on the Deferred stock is similarly reduced from 7 to 5 per cent. The tax deduction on the Ordinary as on the 4½ per cent. Preference stock is at the rate of 5s. in the £, the interim distribution having been charged at the old rate of 4s.

The past year was a disappointing one for all the Argentine railways, with the exception of the North-Eastern, which reported a moderate aggregate increase of £13,700. In the case of the B.A. Great Southern there was a decline of £892,000, of B.A. Pacific £300,000, B.A. Western £909,000, Cordoba Central £660,419, and Entre Rios £136,500. The dividend announcements of the B.A. Great Southern, and the B.A. Western companies have been postponed till this week. For the previous year B.A. Great Southern distributed 8 per cent., but as the interim dividend this time was only 3 per cent., it is expected that the final will make a total of 6 per cent.—or, at most 6½. B.A. Western final dividend may make 5 per cent. for the year against 7 per cent. for 1928-29. As the recent recovery in Argentine securities, including railway stocks, and the improvement in exchange show, there is no misgiving here concerning the political upheaval, or doubts of Argentina's soundness and prosperity. The country, apparently, approves of the change, and assurances are forthcoming from the provisional Government that the British Industries Exhibition to be held in Buenos Aires next March will be in no way affected.

GENERAL ELECTRIC ISSUE.

It was officially announced at the week-end that the directors of the General Electric Company have decided to make a new Debenture issue with the object of redeeming the existing Debenture stock. The existing 7 per Cent. Mortgage Debenture stock, of which about £3,000,000 is outstanding, was issued in June, 1921, at 92½ redeemable at par in 1953, or at any earlier interest payment date after March 31, 1931, on six months' notice from the company, and the latter option is now to be exercised. Naturally, the directors of an important, progressive, and prosperous company like the General Electric, whose Ordinary dividends have risen from 7½ per cent. for 1926-27 to 14 per cent. for 1929-30, consider that Debenture interest at the rate of 7 per cent. is excessive at this time of day, and it is understood—although there has been no official statement on the subject—that the new Debentures will be on a 5 per cent. basis. Holders of the existing stock are expected to have prior rights and consideration in respect of conversion into the new stock—the price of which is expected to be 98. Particular interest attaches to the pending conversion, inasmuch as it will be the first high-cass industrial issue since the market revival came to pass.

INDUSTRIAL POINTS.

Considerable profit-taking followed the rise of the previous week and most of the leading Industrials lost ground, but in some cases fresh support was forthcoming at the lower levels, and wherever a bear account existed inside pressure was applied. It therefore appears that powerful interests are still working for a higher range of values, although there are so few indications of improvement in trade that the public are slow to respond and brokers still complain of a lack of orders.

New York, where optimistic views of the trade outlook have again been circulated, has influenced London in several directions, notably by supporting Columbia Graphophones, with which Gramophones, as usual, advanced in sympathy. Estimates of the dividend range from 25 per cent. to 30 per cent. on the doubled capital, the lower figure being considered more probable. International Nickels also were supported from that quarter, pool operations being suggested, while the market hopes for a statement by Lord Melchett after his visit to Canada.

A general advance in the Swedish group was believed to have originated in America, where a syndicate was reported to have acquired 350,000 shares of the Diamond Match Company. Although participation in the deal by Mr. Ivar Kreuger or his companies was denied, it was suggested that it may benefit the International Match Company, which is the American representative of the Swedish group. On the other hand, the Swedish Ballbearing Company was reported to have dismissed 15 per cent. of the workers at the Gothenburg factory owing to slack trade.

Allied Newspapers improved to 23s. 9d., Amalgamated Press to 19s. 9d., and Kelly's Directories Debentures to 2 prem. In the Electric Construction group the maintenance of the British Insulated Cables interim was well received. Iron and Steel shares moved within narrow limits, the closing down of Beardmore's shipbuilding yard at Dalmuir being regarded as a necessary step in the rationalisation of the industry. Imperial Smelting advanced on the declaration of a maiden dividend of 5 per cent.

Textiles are marking time, but Courtaulds find ready buyers on any set-back. Imperial Chemicals, after a reaction, came into strong demand again, and considering the size of the capital the recovery that occurred must have represented a very considerable volume of buying. At the close, however, support was relaxed.

Dunlops, after dipping to 10s. 9d., have rallied well, and holders should be reassured by the statement issued by the chairman. According to this, the company welcomes the abandonment of rubber restriction.

Holders of Lamport and Holt Debenture stock, which is quoted nominally about 40, will find little consolation in the explanation given for the receivership. The feeling as regards the whole of the Royal Mail group continues very nervous, and holders of the various issues are wondering when it will be possible to proceed with the scheme of amalgamation foreshadowed by Lord Kylsant.

Austins took the lead in the Motor group in the anticipation of the coming report, and Imperial Airways were wanted, the figures being imminent. Among Bank shares Districts resumed their advance. Breweries were reactionary, a possible shortage of hops being suggested as the reason.

EASTWOOD GROUP.

A very satisfactory disclosure was made at the meeting of Eastwoods, Limited, by the chairman, Sir T. Cato Worsfold, Bart. In spite of general trade depression and foreign competition, he said, the business of the company was expanding, the company's investments in associated businesses were sound, the profit for the year amounted to £88,100 compared with £83,100, and the final dividend made a total of 12½ per cent. for the year. A similarly gratifying statement was made by the chairman at the meeting of Eastwoods Cement. The assurance was given that the company was making good progress, that the works were now equipped for the production and handling of an output of 130,000 tons of best Portland cement per annum, that the profit last year rose from £23,600 to £39,800, and that the declared dividend was 7½ per cent. The sanguine views of both chairmen do not lack justification, when the urgent housing requirements of the population and the other constructional necessities of the time are considered, for both companies supply just the requisite materials.

INVESTMENT HINTS.

As a high-yielding investment the 7 per cent. Cumulative Participating Preference shares of Cohen Weenen are decidedly attractive. This company has announced a profit for the year ended June 30 of £110,064, against £101,868 for the previous twelve months. After doubling the Ordinary dividend at 36 per cent. an extra 2 per cent. is distributed on the Preference shares, bringing the rate up to 9 per cent. On this basis the Preference, now at 23s., return £7 16s. per cent.

Owning practically all the Ordinary shares of Cohen Weenen, Godfrey Phillips will receive the benefit of the doubled distribution, and providing its other constituents have also done well, there is every reason to anticipate larger profits for the current year. Last time the net figure expanded by nearly £11,000 to £166,358, and athough over 20 per cent. was earned the Ordinary dividend was kept at 10 per cent. for the third consecutive year, and the interim is maintained at 5 per cent. Priced at 24s., the Ordinary shares yield £6 13s. 4d. per cent.

That there is a great future in front of the electric lighting and power industry is an indisputable fact, and while most companies concerned stand to reap the reward, one of the most attractive purchases is County of London Electric Supply. This undertaking has extensive interests, and the benefit accruing from its most recent acquisition—the Folkestone Electricity Supply—should be reflected in this year's profits. Last year these amounted, after providing for Debenture interest, to £977,777, the dividend being raised from 10 per cent. to 11 per cent. The £1 Ordinary shares are obtainable at about 46s. 9d.

Although a yield of over 9 per cent. usually indicates a measure of risk, this seems to be reduced to a minimum in the case of Lambert Brothers, the coal exporters, whose Ordinary £1 shares now quoted at 32s. 3d. offer a good chance of capital appreciation. Profits have been consistent over a number of years, and during the past decade dividends have ranged from 22½ per cent. to 15 per cent., this latter rate being distributed for 1928 and 1929. The company holds British Government securities of £692,952, and reserves stand at £450,000, against an issued capital of £1,000,000 in Preference and Ordinary shares. There are no Debentures.

Power Corporation of Canada no par value shares have been previously recommended as a promising investment in a prominent Canadian public utility company. Results for the year ended June 30 show continued progress. Revenue at 2,784,681 dols. compares with 1,947,590 dols. for the preceding period, and 849,871 dols. for the year ended June 30, 1928. The net earnings of 2,478,958 dols. compare with 2,445,829 dols., and the affiliated companies have all shown steady progress. Although the number of shares outstanding has been increased—partly by the distribution of a stock dividend—the larger earnings permit of a dividend equivalent to 2 dols. per share, or double the initial payment.

HIGH LIGHTS IN KAFFIRS.

In the Mining markets South African Gold and Finance shares can certainly claim to have carried off the honours. To the accompaniment of rumours of improved developments, Brakpans have been bought for the Cape, as well as Paris—the former a rather unusual feature. Sub Nigels were the subject of an extensive demand for both Johannesburg and London account. Categorical statements gained currency as to high values in the "lease" area, and the probability of a still further expansion in the profits. Amongst low-priced issues Randfontein have again been prominent, a favourable reference in the annual report of the "Johnnies" Co. assisting the movement. A late feature was a spurt in East Rands on private cables reporting a good discovery. The small further decline in the profits of the Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Co. arose from the necessity of making an abnormal allowance for depreciation on some of the holdings—more particularly, it may be inferred, diamonds and platinum. While the difficulties at present surrounding these industries are frankly faced, a hopeful note is struck in regard to the future. To this, no doubt, may be attributed the recovery which has since occurred in the De Beers and some other diamond issues.

Although displaying a firm front, Northern Rhodesians have failed to provide any incidents of interest. The upward trend of the products has found a measure of reflection in copper and lead-zinc shares, but tin descriptions have been erratic. The declaration by the Nundydroog Company of an interim dividend at the same rate as a year ago aroused a demand for the shares of that and other members of the Kolar group. Burma Corporation reacted slightly after their recent substantial advance. Issue of the annual report of the Mining Trust was followed by profit-taking sales, although the information contained in the review of the Technical Committee was regarded as highly satisfactory. The shares on offer being readily absorbed, the price rallied. On a growing recognition of their speculative possibilities, Selukwe have gone ahead. Less sanguine views gaining ground as to the prospects of securing compensation from the Soviet Government, Lenas have experienced a setback.

UNCERTAIN OILS.

The Oil share market has been in unsettled mood throughout the week. The new account opened on a satisfactory note, the carry-over disclosing a predominance of "takers-in." Business on Monday was on a small scale, but the tendency was encouraging after the sharp fall late on the previous Friday, and was due to absence of selling pressure. A few shares were offered on Continental account, but were well taken this side. On Tuesday sentiment changed round completely on a fresh outburst of liquidation in the recognised leaders, while several of the more speculative favourites drooped in sympathy. Dealers could not trace the source of the selling, and there was some unwillingness to take the stock offered except at lower prices, and falls in quotations were, consequently, out of proportion to the actual volume of sales. The Royal Dutch-Shell group was adversely affected by the news that the Shell Eastern had reduced the retail price of petrol by 2 cents, the development indicating the growing competition among leading American companies operating around New York.

About midday on Wednesday a sudden demand for the leaders and some of the speculative favourites caught several dealers short, and, with bear covering in progress, prices made a quick recovery. This further demonstrated the fact that the market is none too well supplied with stock, and as a result any demand by professional operators has a marked effect on quotations. At the end of the week the market was rather idle and uninteresting, except that Paris and Amsterdam, both of which had previously sold stock, turned and supported their favourites. News regarding production continued favourable, the production of crude oil in the United States for the week ended September 6 showing a daily average of 2,437,000 barrels as against 2,461,000 in the preceding week and 2,956,000 barrels for the corresponding week of 1929. Stores of petrol in the United States were also further reduced by 242,000 barrels, the total at September 6 being 30,573,000 barrels. During the current year stocks have been reduced by 12,542,000 barrels, and they are now over 1,300,000 below the level of twelve months ago.

THE RUBBER DEBACLE.

Rubber opened last Monday at the lowest level ever recorded, the initial buyer's price being called only 3⅞d. per lb. The lowest rate at which actual business was done was 3¾d. This fresh fall was the outcome of the official statement by the Governor of the Straits Settlements, Sir Cecil Clementi, that no Government support will be accorded to any form of output restriction.

In making the above statement the Straits Government remark that economic laws must be allowed to take their course, in the hope that by this means stabilisation of prices will be realised. This would appear to mean that a survival of the fittest policy is now inevitable. In London there are in certain quarters those who agree with this principle.

They assert that many of the weaker concerns have been hanging on in the hope that some form of artificial support to the industry would be forthcoming. With this belief in view, they have continued to produce at maximum levels in order to reduce costs and to benefit to the greatest extent by any rise in price. These concerns, it is now thought, will be forced to cease production through lack of funds, and thereby reduce, to a certain extent the present marked overproduction.

Another policy which finds many supporters was put forward by a well-known Mincing Lane authority some time ago. The scheme then suggested was that instead of producing at a loss and thus using up cash resources, companies should more or less suspend tapping and spend only sufficient to maintain estates in efficient condition pending a recovery in the price to a profitable level. It should surely prove merely a matter of calculation for directors to discover which course would prove more beneficial to their particular estates.

Meanwhile, the outstanding item of importance for companies is the amount of working capital available to tide them over the present period of acute depression. Those concerns with a low cost of production and a fair supply of liquid assets will doubtless weather the storm, and reap the benefit of a past conservative financial policy when the price regains an economical level.

An interesting circular was issued by the Dunlop Rubber Company on Friday. This was signed by Sir Eric Geddes, who gave a detailed review of the industry. He claimed that European producers had a definite price advantage over the native planters. He thought that the whole question was whether the European owner can sell at a profit with rubber below a datum line of 8½d. per lb. in London and so meet in active competition the Asiatic production. The circular created a more optimistic feeling regarding the outlook in the share market, and prices hardened in a number of instances.

Tea shares were idle and rather easier with the mixed issues affected by the trend of rubber. The average price obtained at the auctions worked out at 1s. 4.05d. per lb against 1s. 3.50d. the previous week, and 1s. 3.80d. for the same week a year ago.

THE OUTLOOK.

Public interest in the Stock Markets is reawakening and the indications point to a gradual increase in the volume of public business. But caution will continue to be

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PAST WEEK'S MARKET FEATURES

GILT-EDGED.	Sept. 5.	Sept. 12.	+ Rise or — Fall.
War Loan 5%	103¾	104	+ ¼
Conversion 3½%	77⅞	78	+ ⅛
Do. 5%	105⅛	105 3/16	+ 1/16
Consolidated 4%	88½	88 5/16	— 3/16
Funding 4%	91⅝	92⅛	+ ½
India 3%	56	55	— 1
Australia 5% ('45-'75)	89	89½	+ ½
FOREIGN.			
Brazil 1914	74¼	74½	+ ¼
Do. Resc.	56¾	58¼	+ 1½
Chinese 1912	37½	38½	+ 1
Danzig 7%	92½	92	— ½
German 5½%	86⅜	85¼	— 1⅛
Peru Corp. Pf.	35	37¼	+ 2¼
S. Paulo Coffee	82	83½	+ 1½
HOME AND FOREIGN RAILS.			
Gt. Western	72	70½	— 1½
L.M. and S.	37¼	35½	— 1¾
L. & N.E. Prefd.	20¼	19¼	— 1
South Prefd.	66½	66	— ½
Metropolitan	68	74	+ 6
Undg. Ord.	24/6	25/3	+ -/9
B.A. Gt. Southern	87½	88	+ ½
B.A. and Pacific	83	84¾	+ 1¾
Cen. Argentine	73½	74½	+ 1
Leopoldina	36½	33	— 3½
INDUSTRIALS.			
Allied News	1⅛	1 3/16	+ 1/16
Amal. Press	19/3	19/9	+ -/6
Kelly's Directories Deb.	1½ prem.	2 prem.	+ ½
Daily Mail Trust	2 1/16	2 3/32	+ 1/32
Swedish Match 'B'	14⅞	15 1/16	+ 3/16
Columbia Graph.	3 3/32	3 5/32	+ 1/32
Gramophone	3 9/32	3 11/32	+ 1/16
Turner & Newall	3⅜	3⅛	— ¼
Austin Motor	30/9	33/-	+ 2/3
Imperial Chem.	23/1½	22/6	— -/7½
Dunlop Rubber	12/-	11/6	— -/6
United Molasses	36/10½	34/-	— 2/10½
Triplex Glass	1½	1⅝	+ ⅛
MINES.			
Johnnies	39/3	38/- x	—
Brakpan	2¾	2 25/32	+ 1/32
Sub Nigel	2 25/32	2 29/32	+ ⅛
Bwana	12/9	13/-	+ -/3
Congo Border	14⅜	14	— ⅜
N'Changa Copper	3½	3½	—
Tanganyika	1⅝	1 21/32	+ 1/32
Chartered	33/4½	34/1½	+ -/9
De Beers Pref.	11⅛	11⅛	—
Rio Tinto	35¾	36¼	+ ½
North Broken Hill	1 1/16	1 3/16	+ ⅛
Nundydroog	15/9	16/6	+ -/9
OILS.			
Anglo-Persian	3 11/16	3 21/32	— 1/32
Burmah	4 3/32	4⅛	+ 1/32
Lobitos	1 13/32	1 3/8	— 1/32
Phœnix	9/6	8/9	— -/9
Royal Dutch	30½	30½	—
Shell Transport	4 7/16	4 7/16	—
V.O.C.	1 1/16	1 1/16	—
RUBBERS.			
Rubber Trust	23/4½	23/-	— -/4½
Jong Landor	1⅛	⅞	— ¼
Kuala Lumpur	1 5/16	1⅛	— 3/16
Abaco	1⅛	⅝	— ½
TEAS.			
Kanan Devan	37½	37	— ½
Bandarapola	1⅞	1½	— ⅜
United Planters	1 7/16	1¼	— 3/16
Cons. T. & Lands	18¾	19	+ ¼

COMPANY MEETINGS.

EASTWOODS GROUP.

CONSISTENT EXPANSION OF BUSINESS—RESULTS OF PROGRESSIVE POLICY.

SPEECHES BY SIR T. CATO WORSFOLD AND MR. HORACE BOOT.

The tenth ordinary general meeting of Eastwoods, Ltd., was held on September 9, at River Plate House, E.C., Sir T. Cato Worsfold, Bart., LL.D., J.P., D.L. (chairman), presiding.

The Secretary (Mr. G. W. A. Miller, F.I.S.A.) having read the notice convening the meeting and the report of the auditors,

The Chairman said: During the year under review the directors have been actively occupied in carrying out the developments outlined last year. You will remember that in addition to the subsidiary and associated companies, which it was hoped would contribute substantially to our future profits, the parent company was opening a number of new departments to deal with the growing demands for building materials and other goods, which with our expanded organisation we were well able to supply. As the direct result we have during the year increased our trading profits from £83,125 4s. 4d. to £88,100 19s. 7d., an extremely healthy sign which should not be overlooked in view of the depressed state of business in many other industrial undertakings, due in many instances to lack of foresight and to undue optimism.

Competition from abroad has continued to be acute, although it must be said for the British manufacturer that he has at least organised his markets and concentrated upon increased production the better to meet this competition from untaxed imports.

Information from all branches of the company's business shows that the trading is being maintained and in many directions even still further increased. With goods of unquestioned quality manufactured in works owned by your company or by associated companies in which we are directly interested, we shall always be in a position to command our share of the available trade.

General reserve account stands at the substantial figure of £80,000, which it is proposed this year to increase to £100,000 by the allocation of a further £20,000 from undivided profit. This fund has been wholly provided from profits during the past five years. It is sufficient to meet the dividends on the Preference capital for nearly ten years.

SUBSTANTIALLY HIGHER PROFIT.

Our net profits from trading amounted to £88,100 19s. 7d., which is substantially higher than the previous figure of £83,125. After meeting all expenses and making provision for bad debts and depreciation, there is carried to the balance-sheet a net amount of £68,239. The directors recommend the transfer to general reserve of the further sum of £20,000, and the payment of a final dividend on the Ordinary shares of 7½ per cent., leaving to be carried forward to the next account the balance of £11,251 10s.

The company has more than held its own, and these results have been achieved at the expense of energy, driving power and constant application to the affairs of your company by our indefatigable managing director, our excellent secretary, our chief sales manager and his staff, the transport and works managers, the managers of our coal departments, the head office organisation and all the many other employees comprising the Eastwoods team. Your fine old company is in an excellent position to-day to benefit from the expansion of trade which is waiting to be dealt with by those concerns which, by energy and experience, coupled with caution and prudence in the past, have set out to assure themselves of prosperity in the future.

Mr. Horace Boot, M.Inst.C.E. (vice-chairman and managing director), said: Ladies and gentlemen, brick prices during the period under review were stabilised at a figure rather lower than before, but owing to our larger output and reduced manufacturing costs the profits of the works have been well maintained. Eastwoods, Ltd., have handled the whole output from the new works owned by Eastwoods Flettons, Ltd. They are also acting as the sales and distribution agents for Eastwoods Cement, Ltd., for whom a considerably increased tonnage has been sold this year. The acquisition of the cement works at Lewes has enabled our cement business to be expanded in the southern counties. The cement produced at our two works at Barrington and Lewes has achieved deserved popularity. The quality of both brands has been excellent and our "Durocrete" (rapid-hardening brand) is being used in increasing quantities, particularly in connection with public works.

Our several stock brick works in Kent and Essex have been kept in full production, and the excellent quality for which Eastwoods, Ltd., have held a reputation for over a century past has been maintained. The red facing bricks which are manufactured in our Halstow works also command a ready sale.

Eastwoods Flettons, Ltd., were able to avoid the heavy losses which have recently fallen to the lot of many companies during the stages of construction and development, and at the end of our first full working year of the new plant we were able to declare a maiden dividend. Our initial difficulties at these works are being overcome and in view of the continued demand for Fletton bricks we are now in process of increasing the plant and kiln capacity.

Our coal merchanting subsidiary, Hoare Gothard and Bond, Ltd., with its two allied companies operating from Dover and Folkestone respectively, has not contributed to profits to the same extent as in previous years. The results in London and the home counties were quite good, but unfortunately the same cannot be said of certain of the coastal branches, where it has recently been necessary to effect drastic reorganisation of management. This has already led to an improvement in the trading results and to economy of expenditure. The wharfage business undertaken at Dover in conjunction with the coal business has been developed, and we have recently installed screening plant for the treatment of all the coal passing over this wharf. By these means not only are considerable economies of costs being effected but the coal ultimately reaches the consumer in a very much better condition.

CONSISTENT EXPANSION.

Taken as a whole, the programme outlined to you in past years is being carried out in its entirety, and the results of our policy are gradually being achieved, our business generally having shown consistent expansion when evidence of considerable trade depression, if not of actual distress, was apparent in many other directions.

Under these conditions the attention of your directors has been constantly occupied with certain difficulties, not the least of which has been the necessity for control of the credit position as affecting our liquid finances, in view of the rapid increase in our turnover. This has become of great importance since the withdrawal of the subsidy has rendered it increasingly necessary for the merchant to be able and willing in suitable cases to bridge over the period between the commencement of building schemes and the point at which the customer first obtains his advances.

I hope the slogan for the next year's building programme will be: "British materials made by British workmen for British Homes for Britishers to live in."

In spite of adverse conditions I see no reason to be apprehensive of the future. Those shareholders who invested their money in Eastwoods have come off better than those who placed it in almost any other industry.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

EASTWOODS CEMENT.

LARGE EXPANSION IN SALES TONNAGE—NET PROFIT APPROXIMATELY DOUBLED.

The fifth annual general meeting of Eastwoods Cement, Ltd., was held on September 9 at River Plate House, E.C.

Mr. Horace Boot, M.Inst.C.E., the chairman, said that during the past year they had practically completed their constructional programme for a two-kiln rotary cement plant by the erection of a second battery of silos. The works were now fully equipped for the production and handling of an output of 130,000 tons of best Portland cement per annum.

The profit received from all sources amounted to £39,890, as compared with £23,635 last year, and the net profit transferred to the balance-sheet was £24,633, which was approximately double the corresponding figure for the previous year. The directors recommended a dividend of 7½ per cent. for the year.

The company had recently been compelled to defend an action in the Chancery Division for damage at the Barrington works. The claim was made against them by fruitgrowers, whose farms were half a mile away, and at the hearing of the action, subsequent to the close of the period covered by the present accounts, an injunction was granted by the Court, the operation of which had been temporarily suspended on appeal by the company. The matter was, therefore, still sub judice. The shareholders might rest assured that the directors were leaving no stone unturned either to effect a settlement on reasonable terms if at all possible, or, failing that, to consider engineering contrivances for reducing the alleged possibility of damage.

DEMAND FOR COMPANY'S PRODUCT.

The accounts showed net profits exceeding those of the previous year by just 100 per cent. Their sales tonnage showed considerable expansion, their cement had been of superlative quality, and their brands had been deservedly popular. There was an expanding demand for good cement owing to the increase in the number of directions in which it was being used in this country. The company's product had given general satisfaction wherever it had been used. Their "Durocrete" rapid hardening brand had been firmly established on the market, and was being used in increasing quantities on important public works, such as bridges, roads, and special purposes.

The position in regard to the cement industry as a whole showed no improvement. Continued lack of restriction on the import of foreign cement had a depressing effect upon the home market. Further, several new manufacturers had unfortunately adopted the policy of disposing of their output at any sacrifice without regard to production costs or selling prices, and quite irrespective of business economics.

Notwithstanding many difficulties, the company had made good progress. All the preliminary expenses had been written off, the liquid position was exceptionally strong, and the works had been completed at a cost equivalent to less than 30s. per ton on the productive capacity of the plant. In his opinion there was no cement works in this country, given a reasonable proportion of the orders at fair market prices, in a better position than this company to supply the undoubted demand for cement of first quality.

The report was unanimously adopted.

GROSVENOR HOUSE (PARK LANE).

EMINENTLY SATISFACTORY RESULTS.

The second ordinary general meeting of Grosvenor House (Park Lane), Ltd., was held on Wednesday at Grosvenor House, W.

Mr. Arthur Edwards (the chairman) said that the balance-sheet showed an increase in the item of leasehold land and buildings, etc., of £217,099 at £1,829,161. That increase arose entirely from substantial extensions which had been made, and which consisted mainly of 129 rooms and bathrooms which had been added to the hotel section. Grosvenor House was a great success. Although they were only in the early stages of their business, there was a profit of not less than £164,761, after making full provision for repairs, renewals, maintenance, and for the substantial sum which had necessarily been expended on advertising during the inauguration period. The net profit for the year was £111,061. The directors had decided that the preliminary expenses and the debenture stock discount should be entirely written off, and that £5,000 be carried to general reserve, leaving £23,359 to be carried forward.

As to the general position of the company, with the exception only of three of the smaller flats, the whole of the unfurnished service flats were fully let on lease, the tenancies varying from three to twenty-one years, with an average of about seven years. He made bold to say that the design and lay-out of their flats were unique, certainly in Europe. The hotel section had been opened on May 14, 1929. The policy of the directors in making that section into an hotel had been fully justified, and during the season every room in the hotel had been occupied. They had one of the best and most attractive ice skating rinks in the world, and, in addition, provided accommodation for the International Sportsmen's Club. That club had a swimming pool, four squash racquet courts, a gymnasium, Turkish baths, and a miniature golf course was now in process of being installed.

With regard to the prospects for the future, he thought they could best be gauged by the very satisfactory results of the year under review. In July and August, however, the first two months of the current financial year, the income from every department had been greater than during the corresponding period of last year. The great success they had so rapidly attained was no doubt largely due to the fact that they had been pioneers in a great modern idea of a new London, pioneers in the direction of providing high-class residential flats for our own people, and giving facilities to the ever-growing influx of visitors from overseas to enjoy, at a moderate expense, luxury and comfort second to none in the capitals of the world. Grosvenor House was now firmly established, efficiently managed, and had a worldwide reputation.

The report and accounts were unanimously adopted.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS.

ALLIED NEWSPAPERS LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 8% Preference SHARE REGISTERS and TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from September 17th to September 30th, both dates inclusive, for the preparation of Dividend Warrants, which will be posted on the 30th inst.

By Order of the Board,
J. H. OLDHAM, Secretary.
Allied House, Withy-grove, Manchester.

MONEY MARKET.

WEAKER TREND OF STERLING.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

In spite of less favourable trend of the sterling dollar exchange and the fear that the approaching autumn may further accentuate this trend, the attempt to bring discount rates into closer relation with money has not been very successful. At the beginning of the week this tendency was helped a little by the reduction in supplies of funds due to the absence of Treasury Bill maturities and the window-dressing of the banks, but though 2¼ per cent. was quoted for a time for three months' bills, it was not effective, and in competition rates had to give way again to the former level, while the return to easy conditions in money again towards the end of the week put a definite damper on any upward trend. In the early part of the week 2½ to 2¾ per cent. was a fairly general rate for loans, and the market had to rely more on the clearing banks for their supplies, but the release of funds later was quite noticeable and advances were offered quite freely at nominal rates towards the end.

As usual recently practically all the gold in the open market was taken for France, but although the actual influx to the Bank was only £267,000 on the daily returns, the Bank return already showed a gain of more than a million, a fact which caused some comment, for although the return often shows some difference in the published figures, it is rarely so big as this. It is assumed that it is due to some transfers of accumulated sovereigns at the branches of the joint stock banks. Besides this, the Bank has since Wednesday made some further additions by the receipt of sovereigns, believed to be from Brazil, and the release of others previously set aside.

The sterling rate on New York has been showing some noticeably unfavourable movements. From the low level of 4.86 there was some recovery to 4.86 5-16, but this was short-lived, and the rate in the past few days has moved steadily downward to about 4.86. The franc, too, has been moving somewhat unfavourably, and from 123.86 has reacted to 123.75. The peseta has been less erratic and has tended to improve in value, while the feature has been the strong recovery in the Argentine dollar. The developments in that Republic have been viewed favourably rather than otherwise, and the exchange rose to 41½d. at one time, reacting later to 41d. The milreis has kept to a fairly steady course around 5d.

Silver has had some fluctuations during the week, but the prevailing trend has been noticeably upward, and at 16 13-16d. per oz. is ⅛d. higher than a week ago.

	Method of quoting.	Par of exch.	Quotations. Sept. 13	Sept. 6
Paris, cheques	Fr. to £	124.21	123.74–77	123.77–79
Berlin	Mks. to £	20.43	[illegible]	[illegible]
Brussels, chqs	Belgs to £	35.00	[illegible]	[illegible]
Amst'rd'm, chqs	Fl. to £	12.107	[illegible]	[illegible]
Italy, sight	Lire to £	92.46	[illegible]	[illegible]
Greece	Drch. to £	375	[illegible]	[illegible]
Madrid, sight	Pts. to £	25.22½	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lisbon, sight	Esc. to £	110	[illegible]	[illegible]
Switzerl'nd, sight	Fr. to £	25.22½	[illegible]	[illegible]
Oslo	Kr. to £	18.159	[illegible]	[illegible]
Stockholm, sight	Kr. to £	18.159	[illegible]	[illegible]
Copenhagen, sight	Kr. to £	18.159	[illegible]	[illegible]
Helsingfors	Mk. to £	193.23	[illegible]	[illegible]
Vienna	Sch. to £	34.58½	[illegible]	[illegible]
Alexandria, sight	Pstrs. to £	97½	[illegible]	[illegible]
Prague	Kr. to £	164.25	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bucharest	Lei to £	813.6	[illegible]	[illegible]
Bombay, T.T.	[illegible]	1s. 6d.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Calcutta, T.T.	[illegible]	1s. 6d.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Hong Kong, T.T.	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
Shanghai, T.T.	[illegible]	—	[illegible]	[illegible]
Singapore, T.T.	[illegible]	2s. 4d.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Yokohama	[illegible]	24.58d.	[illegible]	[illegible]
New York, cable	Dol. to £	4.866	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montreal, cable	Dol. to £	4.866	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rio de Janeiro	[illegible]	5.89d.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Buenos A's, T.T.	[illegible]	47.58d.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Valp'raiso, 90 d.	[illegible]	40	[illegible]	[illegible]
Montevideo, T.T.	[illegible]	51d.	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lima	[illegible]	12.166	14.10	14.10

SAN PAULO COFFEE LOAN.

RESULTS OF THE REALISATION PLAN.

Cabled advice from New York states that the results of the second month of operation of the coffee realisation plan of State of San Paulo, Brazil, have recently been received by Speyer and Co., who, together with J. Henry Schroder Banking Corporation, are fiscal agents for the San Paulo Seven per Cent. Coffee Realisation Loan issued last May.

Since July 1, 1930, when the plan became effective, the Government has liquidated the stipulated monthly amounts of government coffee and planters' coffee, and payments in respect of each sold coffee have been made to representatives of the bankers at the rate of £175,000 per month, to be applied to the purchase of bonds under the sinking fund. The first redemption of bonds under this sinking fund, amounting to one-twentieth of the whole loan, will be made on April 1 next.

Interest on the bonds is provided for by a special tax on all coffee transported for export from any point within the State of San Paulo. The receipts from this tax for July and August, the first two months of plan's operation, amounted to £385,890, against interest requirements for these two months of approximately £233,333.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS

OVERDALE.—Would buy Conversion 3½ per cent.

J. R.—Abbey Road Building Society, Upper Baker Street, N.W.1.

D. H.—The tendency is upwards. Perhaps you might wait a bit.

TYKE.—Both are poor holdings. Sell unless you are prepared for a long wait.

B. F. J.—British Photograph Industries and Ingersoll Prefs. are both speculative.

CAIRNIE.—Would not sell South Australian 6½ per cent. stock, which gives you a good return.

G. P.—The ofs. expired in 1925. German 8 per cent. changed hands at 2s. 9d. in August.

TOBACCO.—Would not sell Carreras. The fall in the shares appears to have been due to liquidation.

A. B. (Folkestone).—Imperial Tobacco and Primitiva Holdings are both worth keeping for investment.

T. B. (Barrow).—At present prices prefer Conversion 3½ per cent. to 5 per cent. War Loan [illegible] if a permanent investment is required.

PIQUE.—1, 2, and 6 should pay to hold. Sell No. 5. Of the Industrials, prefer to keep Nos. 3 and 4 and sell No. 7 and 8.

MOONRAKER.—A further purchase of Great Westerns to average would be a fair risk. Would not buy more of the others.

O. D.—Better wait for some recovery before selling the Industrials. There is a fair prospect of some further recovery in the mining shares.

E. S. HENLEY.—Cannot advise you to take the step you suggest. It would, as you suggest, be "throwing good money after bad."

ALPHEGA.—(A) We should be inclined to cut your loss on these. (B), (C), and (D) These should have a fair chance of weathering the present crisis.

MARTIN CANNOCK.—(1) Wait for the recovery that is due shortly before buying more. (2) Sangers are quite reasonable as a speculative investment.

LIMERICK.—(1) Hold Rio Flour Mills and average. (2) Keep Scribbans. (3) Hold for recovery. [illegible] (4) Sell.

M. G. V.—(1) Reclaim the tax on Taylor-Walker dividend [illegible] dividend warrants. (2) Of these prefer Vickers and Burma Corporation.

G. H. G.—See no attraction in Panama bonds. [illegible]

PARK.—Terms unattractive for what is to be in effect a second mortgage, but proposition might be submitted to the Scottish Reversionary Company, 33, Charlotte Square, Edinburgh.

DECIMAL.—(1) The financial position is not satisfactory. Still, it seems hardly worth while to sell at current price. (2) The company is being reorganised and more capital put up.

T. E. G.—The Debenture interest was covered with only a small balance. Unless you can take the risk of waiting for trade recovery it would be best to realise.

G. K.—Last year's dividend of the Ashanti Goldfields was 65 per cent.; 25 per cent. interim has been paid on account of the current year. [illegible]

I. M.—(1) Bank of London and South America, Hongkong and Shanghai Banking, Bank of New Zealand, National Bank of Egypt, and Yokohama Specie Bank. [illegible]

WASHY.—Grange Trust 5 per cent. Preference, London Border and General Trust 5 per cent. Preference, Dunlop Rubber 6 per cent. Second Preference, Turner and Newall 7 per cent. Preference, Union Cold Storage 6 per cent. Preference, Unilever 7 per cent. Preferred, International Tea 6 per cent. Preference, Hall and Co. 6 per cent. Preference, Tampling and Sons 6 per cent. Preference, "Smithers" Debentures and Associated Cement 8 per cent. Preference.

Owing to pressure on our space, we have had to hold over a large number of "Answers to Correspondents." These will be sent through the post.

BUENOS AYRES TOBACCO.

PICCARDO COMPANY'S PROFITS.

According to cable advices received by Erlangers, the London agents, the annual accounts of the Sociedad Anonima Manufactura de Tobacos, Piccardo and Cia. (Piccardo Tobacco Manufacturing Co.) show a net profit of 6,265,628 dollars (Argentine paper dollars). This compares with a net balance of 6,289,748 dollars for the year to June 30, 1929. The directors propose to maintain the dividend rates at 9 per cent. on the preference shares, and 10½ per cent. on the ordinary, to which they were raised last year from 8 per cent. and 8½ per cent. respectively for 1927-28.

It is further proposed to appropriate 313,281 dollars (against 314,487 dollars last year) to the reserve, and 1,500,000 dollars as before to the contingencies fund. The balance to carry forward is 113,073 dollars, compared with 134,476 dollars.

STAVELEY COAL AND IRON.

INCREASE IN YEAR'S PROFIT AND DIVIDEND.

The Staveley Coal and Iron Co., which is increasing its dividend on the £3,385,356 of paid-up capital from 6 per cent. to 8 per cent. free of tax, earned a profit of £409,167 for the year to June 30 last, compared with £306,117 for the previous twelve months. After deducting £135,774 for depreciation and £6,300 for directors' fees, there remained, with £111,162 brought in, £377,256 available.

It is proposed to transfer £75,000 (against £100,000) to reserve, and after allowing for the 8 per cent. dividend, a balance of £90,136 (against £111,162) is carried forward.

The directors state that the improvements to the pipe foundries have been gone into very thoroughly, and they have decided that these improvements could best be met by erecting a new foundry. The erection of this plant is now well advanced and it is expected that the new product will be on the market by the middle of 1931.

REPORTS & NOTICES

SCOTTISH CEYLON TEA.—The directors have declared a dividend for the half-year ended June 30 of 10 per cent. (against 15 per cent.) on the Ordinary shares payable September 19.

HIGHLAND TEA OF CEYLON.—The directors have declared an interim dividend of 10 per cent. (less tax) (same), payable forthwith on account of the year to December 31 next.

BARCLAYS BANK.—The opening of a branch at 62, Pitshanger Lane, Ealing, W.5, under the management of Mr. T. C. F. Smith, who is also manager of 33 Broadway, Ealing, branch, is announced.

GODFREY PHILLIPS.—Directors have declared an interim dividend of 10 per cent., less tax, on the Ordinary shares, payable October 1. A year ago the interim rate was the same on £675,000 of issued Ordinary capital.

ALFRED DUNHILL.—Directors announce an interim dividend of 10 per cent., free of tax. This follows an interim of 5 per cent. in March last. For the previous year similar distributions were made and were brought up to 20 per cent. after the closing of the accounts.

TISMODA ESTATES.—Profit for the year to April 30 was £27,814, compared with £7,108, and available balance £9,498 against £7,769. To reserve (making it £12,000) £1,000 (same), dividend, 20 per cent. (same), forward £3,198 (against £2,019). [illegible]

THOS. W. WARD.—The directors recommend a final dividend on the ordinary [illegible] 6½ per cent. [illegible]

JOHANNESBURG CONSOLIDATED INVESTMENT.—Net profit for the year to June 30 last, after providing for depreciation and all charges, was £565,192, as compared with £593,199 for the preceding year. The dividend, maintained at 15 per cent., needs £562,500, and the carry-forward is reduced to £114,100 from £181,497. The directors state that the gross profit [illegible] As usual, shareholdings stand in the books at or below current market prices. [illegible] results of the various gold mining companies controlled have all been of a gratifying nature.

RUBBER EASIER.

There was very little business in the Mincing Lane market for rubber yesterday, and closing prices revealed a loss of 1-16d. from the previous day's closing level. Spot quoted 4d.; September 3 15-16d.; October, 4d.; November, 4 1-16d.; December, 4 1-16d.; January-March, 1931, 4⅛d.; April-June, 4 3-16d.; July-September, 4¼d.

Stocks in the United Kingdom are expected to show an increase in the aggregate of about 800 tons on the week.

INCOME-TAX QUERIES.

K. A.—If you refer to W. J. again you will see that it is correct. If, however, resident here is not domiciled here the law is still as stated by you.

S. J. P.—Your temporary absence for twelve months in Italy will not affect your position as regards tax on your foreign investment on income arising therefrom.

NEOPHYTE.—Property tax Sch. A is not payable during the period in which house is unfurnished and uninhabited, nor is it payable if owner shows that the annual value [illegible] income exemption limit.

FELLIX.—If you stay in England you must pay income-tax on whole income. If married you will get allowance of £225 free of tax, and of £135 for each of three children. [illegible]

CELTIC.—Allowances in respect of wife, children, life insurance, and dependent relatives are all based on circumstances of claimant at actual year of assessment. [illegible]

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WALL STREET IRREGULAR.

TRADING MAINLY PROFESSIONAL.

GENERAL RALLY ON BEAR COVERING.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

The market opened easy and trading was highly professional, price movements representing little save activity amongst floor traders. Bears were disappointed by the meagreness of week-end selling, and when they endeavoured to buy back shares in the last hour found offerings scarce.

Early declines of 1 to 6 points included U.S. Steel, Sears Roebuck, Du Pont, A. M. Byres, Westinghouse Electric, and American Tobacco "B" old stock. Leading shares generally rallied from their morning's low levels, but failed to regain much of yesterday's losses. Bulls derived encouragement from the fact that short-selling inspired only a negligible amount of real liquidation of long holdings. Over-night news had little effect on the market although the continued improvement noted by the weekly Mercantile reviews was reassuring to the bull faction.

Vanadium Corporation, American Can, Loose Wiles Biscuit, and Johns Manville rose 1 or more; and American Water Works gained 4 points.

Among the advances were: Chicago North Western ordinary, Chicago Rock Island and Pacific, and General Electric ½; Erie Railroad shares 1; New York Central ⅞; Southern Railway shares 1¾; and Bethlehem Steel ⅞.

Atchison Topeka and Santa Fe shares declined ⅞; Baltimore and Ohio and Norfolk and Western Common 1; Illinois Central, Southern Pacific, and Shell Transport and Trading ½; Reading shares 4½; Wabash Common 1½; American Can 1¾; and American Smelting and Refining ⅞.

The close was steady. Government Bonds steady. Railroad Bonds firm.

The day's sales totalled 1,018,000 shares. Money on call nominal. Sterling Exchange rather firmer. Silver 3/8c lower at 36¼.—*Reuter.*

CURB CHANGES SMALL ON BALANCE.

AMERICAN CYANAMID SOLD.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Trading was moderate and mainly professional, with prices early easing, but a good rally developed later on bear covering, leaving changes mostly small. Utilities rallied following early pressure against Electric Bond and Share, which eased moderately.

United Gas and Niagara and Hudson advanced fractionally, while American Cyanamid "B" was again heavily liquidated, touching a new low level, before meeting support. Oils and investment issues were quiet.

Eng. Equiv	STOCKS.	Closing bid. Sat.	Fri.
132 15/16	American Gas and Electric	129¼	130
63 13/16	American Light and Traction (New)	62	62
31	Associated Gas and Electric A.	30⅛	30⅛
36¾	Brazilian Traction Light & Power	35¾	35¾
29 9/16	Cities Service	28¾	28⅞
5 11/16	Creole Oil	5½	5½
85¼	Electric Bond and Share	82⅞	83¼
20 1/16	Electric Shareholding Common	19½	19½
39⅝	Ford (Canada) "A"	38½	28⅛
121 15/16	Gulf Oil of Penna	118½	119
90 13/16	Humble Oil	88¼	89
23 11/16	Imperial Oil of Canada	23	23
19 9/16	International Petroleum	19	19
29 1/16	Middle West Utilities	28¼	29
88½	Newmont Mining	86	86
16⅞	Niagara Hudson Power Corporation	16⅜	16⅜
10 13/16	Penn Road Corporation	10⅝	10¾
15 9/16	Silica Gel. Corporation	15⅛	15
50 11/16	Standard Oil of Indiana	49¼	49¼
33 13/16	Swift International	33	33
80	Vacuum Oil	77¾	78½
	FOREIGN SECURITIES.		
6 1/16	Associated Electrical Industries	5⅞	5¾
2 1/16	British Celanese Ord.*	2	2
3 1/16	Burma Corporation	3	2¾
3 1/16	Bwana M'Kubwa	3	3
¾	Cables and Wireless "B" *c*	¾	¾
22¼	Ford (of England) £1 shares (fy.p.)	21⅝	21½
11 13/16	General Elect. Ord.*	11½	11½
16 3/16	Gramophone Ord.*	15¾	15¾
38 13/16	Hydro-Electric	37¾	37¾
4½	Marconi Canada *b*	4⅜	4⅜
8⅞	Marconi Marine Ord.*	8⅝	8⅝
20 1/16	Roan Antelope *a*	19½	19½
⅞	Spanish & Gen. Corp. Ord. Reg. & B'r.*	⅞	⅞
7 11/16	Triplex Glass Ord.*	7½	7⅝
7⅞	United Molasses	7⅝	7⅝

* American Deposit Receipt.
a Receipt represents four English shares.
b Warrants for Shares Sold. *c* £1 units.

COTTON STEADY.

VALUES MOVE NARROWLY IN QUIET SESSION.

EXCLUSIVE CABLE TO THE "SUNDAY TIMES."

NEW YORK, Saturday.

A further slight loss occurred in the early trading to-day, bringing the December option to 11.02 c., which was forty-five points from the high level of Wednesday's and within twelve points of this week's low figures. The decline served to attract more buying, and prices held at around the closing level for the greater part of the session with very small fluctuations.

The fact that a large percentage of the early receipts is coming from the South-West and that many spinners prefer this staple to Eastern cotton, together with the action of the Co-operative Marketing Associations in lending freely from the Federal Farm Relief Board funds, is making for resistance, but it has still to be determined what the situation will be when the gins turn out about 150,000 bales daily, as in a normal season during the October and early November periods. While there is a growing feeling that at least the usual fall increase in business is now under way, the action of the Stock Market in the past two days shows uncertainty about the extent of the trade revival.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Cotton opened steady and 1 point up to unchanged. The market ruled inactive and values declined under moderate Wall Street and Southern selling due to large receipts. The weakness of the Stock market also had a depressing effect, but offers were well taken by the trade and short interests. The closing was barely steady with old contracts 3 points down to 1 up, and new deliveries 3 to 7 points lower. Spot quiet at 5 points fall.

At New Orleans futures opened 2 points down to 2 up, and closed 3 points to 1 point cheaper. Spot finished unchanged.

Highest and lowest prices in the last 30 sec. of trading at New York:—September 10.84-10.84, October 10.94-10.94, November 11.02-11.02, December 11.15-11.11, January 11.19-11.19. New Contracts:—October 10.85-10.85, November 10.93-10.93, December 11.03-11.02, January 11.10-11.10, February 11.17-11.17, March 11.26-11.25, April 11.34-11.34, May 11.45-11.43, June 11.51-11.51, July 11.61-11.60. Spot Middling at New York 11.00.

Highest and lowest prices in the last minute of trading at New Orleans:—October, 10.87-10.86; December, 11.05-11.03. Spot Middling at New Orleans, 10.63.—*Reuter.*

LIVERPOOL QUOTATIONS.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

American futures opened about 5 to 6 points lower. A fair amount of offers were in evidence, which, however, were absorbed by some local support. Near the close buyers were satisfied and prices again eased. The market closed quietly steady at 3 points to 1 point loss. Egyptian futures lacked demand, and prices were barely steady. Sakellaridis finished 11 to 10, and Upper 7 points under yesterday.

Closing American futures:—September 5.93, October 5.90, November 5.91, December 5.97, January 6.01, February 6.04, March 6.11, April 6.14, May 6.20, June 6.24, July 6.28, August 6.31, September 6.34, January (1932) 6.44. Egyptian.—November 9.14, December 9.21, January 9.27, March 9.45, May 9.63, July 9.75. Upper.—November 7.14, December 7.19, January 7.24, March 7.37, May 7.50, July 7.64.

Spot report.—Americans quiet and reduced 7 points. Brazilian values quiet and 7 points lower. Egyptians quiet. Sakellaridis generally 10, Upper 8, and Pilon 5 points down. East Indians lost 5 points.

Spot Quotations:—American middling, 6.23; Brazilian Pernam Maceio, etc., fair, 5.83; Egyptian Sakellaridis F.G.F., 10.20; East Indian M.G. broach good, F.G. 4.25, fine 4.50; Tinnevelly F.G.F. 5.50, good, 5.75; M.G. Oomra good 3.65, F.G. 3.85, fine 4.05; M.G. Bengal good 3.40, F.G. 3.55, fine 3.70.—*Reuter.*

PRODUCE MARKETS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Wheat easy at ⅜c. to 1⅛c. fall. No. 2 Amber Durum Spot 87, No. 2 Mixed Durum 85, No. 2 Northern Manitoba 90⅞, No. 2 Hard Winter 91, No. 2 Red Winter 100.

Rye barely steady ⅜c. down. No. 2 Spot 65⅛.

Maize easy at 1⅛c. loss. Western No. 2 Mixed Spot 105⅛.

Rubber Outside Prices dull but steady. First Latex Crepe Spot 8 Buyers, Smoked Ribbed Sheets Spot 8 Buyers, 8⅛ Sellers, October-November-December 8⅛ Buyers, January-February-March 8⅜ Buyers, 8⅜ Sellers.

Rubber Exchange of New York (Closing) Contract A—barely steady 10 points lower. September 7.90, October 7.90, December 8.10, January 8.20, March 8.40, May 8.70. Sales 96 lots.

Petroleum steady. Standard White in cases 16.65, barrels 13.25, Philadelphia 13.25, Mid-Continent Crude 33 to 33.9 Baume 1.18½, Pennsylvania Crude 1.75 to 2.30.

Burlaps quiet. Hessian Cloth Lightweight 4.40, Heavyweight 5.65.

The Coffee, Cocoa, and Sugar markets remained closed.—*Reuter.*

CHICAGO, Saturday.

Wheat opened steady and ½c. to ⅛c. up. Further improvement was made on steadier cables, buying against sales of corn, covering operations, and reports of a smaller movement in the North-west. A reaction followed in sympathy with the lower Winnipeg market, and also owing to there being no improvement in the export demand. The closing was easy at ⅜c. to ⅝c. loss. Closing options.—September 80¼, December 85⅝ to 85⅞, March 89⅝ to 89½, May 92⅞ to 92⅞.

Lard closed irregular with futures 7½ points up to 2½ points down and spot 5 points higher. Prime Western Steam Spot, 11.50. Closing options.—September 11.50, October 11.42½, December 11.05, January 10.97½.—*Reuter.*

WINNIPEG WHEAT.

WINNIPEG, Saturday.

Wheat opened steady unchanged to ⅛c. lower. In early trading reports of dry weather in Argentina and rumours that Brazil was buying some Canadian wheat encouraged short covering. The market later reacted under renewed hedge pressure and on a report stating that Russia have sold 7,000,000 bushels to Italy, with active chartering also reported at Black Sea ports to load grain. The close was easy, with prices 1⅛c. to 1⅜c. down. Closing options.—October 79⅜, December 82⅝, May 88⅜.

Rye.—Easy at ⅜c. to 1½c. loss. Closing options.—October 45⅝, December 48⅛, May 54⅛.

Oats.—Easy at 1c. to 1⅜c. decline. Closing options.—October 33½, December 33⅜, May 38⅜.

Barley.—Easy at 2½c. reduction. Closing options.—October 30⅞, December 33½, May 39.—*Reuter.*

NEW YORK METALS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

The following quotations are supplied by Messrs. C. S. Trunch and Co.

Copper.—Steady. Lake. Spot delivered, consuming points in Middle West, 10.87½ asked; Electrolytic Spot delivered, Connecticut Valley, 10.62½ asked; Electrolytic, f.a.s. New York, prompt delivery, 10.62½ asked; Electrolytic f.a.s. New York, 30-90 days 10.62½ asked; Casting, f.o.b. New York refinery, 10.62½ asked.

Straits Tin.—Steady spot, and October both unchanged. Spot, and nearby New York, 29.87½; future option, October, 29.95.

Lead.—Steady and unchanged. Spot, New York, 5.50; spot, East St. Louis, 5.35.

Silver.—Bar, 36¼.

Platinum.—Pure refined spot, 34.50 dol.

Aluminium.—98-99 per cent. spot, New York, 22⅞ cents.

Nickel.—Ingot, spot, New York, 35 cents.

Tin Plates.—Box, f.o.b. Pittsburg basis, 5.25.

Pig Iron.—Steady. Northern No. 2 plain, f.o.b. furnace, Eastern Pennsylvania, 19.39; No. 2 plain Buffalo delivery Boston, 21.91.

Copper.—The U.S. Copper Export Association quotes copper, c.i.f. Hamburg, 11.30.—*Reuter.*

JUTE CONDITIONS.

PRICES CONTINUE TO DROOP.

GROWING SUPPLIES OF RAW MATERIAL.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

DUNDEE, Saturday.

Falling prices for both raw jute and Calcutta goods have not inspired confidence in buyers, so that business in all commodities continues on slow lines. The large supplies of raw jute in view, combined with huge stocks of Calcutta goods, are responsible for the easier tendency in prices, while the lack of demand for everything helps values on their downward course.

It is quite probable that, if prices for raw jute come down to a lower level, consumers will purchase large quantities. Indeed, it is reported that the Indian jute Mills have already made preparations for laying in stocks of jute by taking all the godowns up the river for additional storage purposes. Even though the Indian mills are working short time by stopping one week each month, the stocks of hessians at that centre have increased by five million yards during the month of July, making a total of 275,000,000 yards.

There has been no end to the drooping tendency of raw jute prices, and with £14 accepted for Daisee assortment for October-November shipment a fresh low level has been reached. Daisee-3 is quoted at £13 10s., and fours have been sold at £12, same shipment. The Calcutta prices are still high in comparison with these, and they suit those of speculative sellers. For instance, £15 is wanted by Calcutta for Daisee assortment. Good First Marks have been sold at £19 10s., and also at £19, while best four marks of Lightnings could be bought at £17, with Red H quoted at £17 10s. and Green Circle Ram at £18 5s., September-October.

MAIL AND STEAMSHIP NEWS.

(Note: l., left; d., due; c., called; p., passed; f., for; fr., from; a., arrived.)

THE MAILS.

ALAUNIA (Cunard) London f. Montreal a. Southampton, 13.
ALIPORE (P. and O.) Kobe f. Bombay l. Shanghai, 13.
AMARAPOORA (Henderson) f. Rangoon l. Mersey, 13.
AMERICAN TRADER (U.S.L.) f. New York l. Gravesend, 13.
BANGALORE (P. and O.) f. Calcutta a. Southampton, 13.
BASSANO (Ell. Wilson) Hormugao f. Liverpool a. Calicut, 13.
BURDMAN (P. and O.) Calcutta f. London a. Colombo, 13.
CARONIA (Cunard) London f. New York a. Southampton, 13.
ELYSIA (Anchor) f. Bombay l. Mersey, 13.
ISAR (N.D.L.) Bremen f. Tsingtao l. Shanghai, 13.
KARAPARA (B.I.) fr. Port Natal a. Bombay, 13.
KASHGAR (P. and O.) fr. London a. Yokohama, 13.
KHYBER (P. and O.) London f. Yokohama, a. Colombo, 13.
KURMARK (H.A.L.) Macassar f. Greenwich, p. Gravesend, 13.
MANELA (B.I.) f. Hamburg, l. Calcutta, 13.
MOLDAVIA (P. and O.) London f. Brisbane c. Adelaide, 13.
ORAMA (Orient) Brisbane f. London l. Suez, 13.
PENNLAND (Leyland) fr. Antwerp a. Southampton, 13.
PORT ALMA (C. and D.) Napier f. Dunkirk, l. Brisbane, 13.
PORT NAPIER (C. and D.) fr. New York a. Brisbane, 13.
PORT HOBART (C. and D.) f. London l. Melbourne, 13.
PREUSSEN (H.A.L.) f. Hamburg a. Sabang, 13.

STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

ASIA f. Copenhagen l. Singapore, 13.
BALTANNIC f. Memel l. Gravesend, 13.
CLAN MACPHERSON f. East London l. Liverpool, 13.
COMO f. Oslo l. Liverpool, 13.
OORIFA f. Glasgow l. Hankow, 13.
SKULDU fr. Valencia a. Liverpool, 13.
WISCONSIN fr. Portland a. Shanghai, 13.

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the keynote, and investors may be expected to show a decided preference for securities of unimpeachable standing.

The revival in Industrials has halted and is not altogether trusted because there are so few signs of improvement in trade and unemployment still grows. But unless something unforeseen happens, it is not likely that prices will fall back to the unduly low levels touched during August, and the tendency will probably be towards gradual improvement.

A gradual revival is taking place in American business, and the tendency of the share market is to exaggerate its importance. But it cannot be trusted far, and where the buying of Industrials originates on the other side, as in the case of the Gramophone shares, International Nickels, and possibly the leaders of the Swedish group it would be as well not to run profits too far.

Buying of gilt-edged stocks during the last few days can be said to have a very influential character, and shows that large investors have no doubts as to the continued need for placing safety above all else. While this attitude of extreme caution persists, it is unlikely that there can be any material revival of speculative activity.

"SUNDAY TIMES" NEW YORK CLOSING PRICES

RAILROADS.

Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.
224 13/16	Atchison	218½	219¼	80⅛	Gt. Nthn. Pf.	77⅞	77⅝	230 1/16	Norfolk & West	224	225
147⅛	Atlantic C. L.	143	140	118 1/16	Illinois Central	114¾	115¼	73 13/16	Northern Pacific	71¾	71¾
101 1/16	Baltimore & O.	98¼	99¼	16 9/16	Int. R. C. Am.	16⅛	16⅛	75⅜	Pennsylvania	73¼	73½
191⅜	Canadian Pac.	186	186¼	69 7/16	Kans. City S.	67½	67½	108 9/16	Reading	105½	110
47 11/16	" " (New)	46⅜	46½	122 7/16	Louisvl. & Nash	119	119	91 9/16	S. Louis S. Fran.	89	89
51 3/16	Ches. & Ohio*	49¾	49⅝	2 3/16	Mex. Nat. 1st Pf.	2⅛*c*	2⅛*a*	68 7/16	St. Louis S.W.	66½	66½
10 9/16	Chic. G. West	10¼	10½	⅞	Do. 2nd Pref.	⅞*d*	⅞*b*	4⅝	Sea. Air Line	4½	4¾
36½	Do. Prfd.	35½	36½	42 7/16	Missri. K. & Tex.	41¼	41⅛	120⅜	Southern Pacific	117	117½
14 15/16	Chic. Mil. St. P.	14½	14¼	99 13/16	Do. Pref.	97	96½	89½	Southern Rly.	87	85½
23 11/16	Do. Pref.	23	22⅝	67⅞	Missouri Pacific	66	66	224⅜	Union Pacific	218⅛	218
101 5/16	Chic. Rock Is.	98½	98	123 11/16	Do. Pref.	120½	122	31⅞	Wabash New	31	32½
41⅛	Erie	40	39	166 1/16	N.Y. Central	162	161¼	72	Do. Pref. A.	70	70
58⅝	Do. 1st Pf.	57	57	108 13/16	New Haven	105¾	106	16 9/16 d.	Silver	36¼	36⅝

a Bid, 2¾ asked. *b* Bid, 1⅛ asked. *c* Bid, 2¾ asked. *d* Bid, 1⅛ asked. * New.

INDUSTRIALS.

Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.
129⅜	Air Reduction	125¾	125¾	124⅛	Du Pont Nms.	120⅝	120½	15 7/16	Nevada Cns. C.	15	15⅛x
22⅜	Alleghany Corp.	21¾	21½	221 11/16	Eastman Kodak	215½	215½	71⅞	Otis Elevator	69⅞	69
282 15/16	Allied C. and Dye	275	275½	66⅞	Elec. Stor. Bat.	65	67¼	13½	Packard Motors	13⅛	13¼
55 5/16	Allis-Chalmers	53¾	54½	50 15/16	Fox Film "A"	49½	49⅝	62⅝	Paramount Publix	60⅞	61
132 15/16	Am. Can	129¼	131	42 11/16	Gen. Asphalt	41½	41¾	44	Penick & Ford	42¾	43
42 3/16	Am. Loco	41	41x	74⅞	Gen. Electric	72¾	72¼	69 3/16	Pullman Co.	67¼	67¼
28 3/16	Am. Radiator & Stand. San. Co.	27⅜	27⅛	59 7/16	Gen. Foods Cor.	57¾	57¾	30⅝	Remington Tpe.	29¾	29¾
				45 15/16	Gen. Motors	44⅝	44⅝	35⅞	Republic I. & S.	34⅞	35
52½	Am. Rolling Mills	51	51⅜	78 11/16	Gen. Refractors	76½	75¾	54⅜	Reynold Tob. B.	52⅞	52⅞
69 15/16	Am. Smelt. & R.	68	68⅞	70½	Gillette Razor	68½	67¼	40⅛	St. Joseph Ld.	39	40¼
40⅜	Am. Steel Fs.	39¼	39	22⅞	Goodrich B. F.	22¼	22½	74 1/16	Sears-Robk.	72	73¼
51 7/16	Am. Sugar Ref.	50	50	30⅜	Hudson Motors	29½	29⅞	21⅜	Stan. Brands	20¾	20⅞
252 1/16	Am. Tobacco "B"	245	253	195 7/16	Ingersoll Rand	190	196	31⅝	Studebaker Cn.	30¾	30⅝
48⅛	Anaconda	46¾	46⅞	7 5/16	Int. Combustion	7⅛	7⅜	60 9/16	Tex. Gf. Sul.	58⅞	58⅞
57⅝	Atlantic Gulf	56	57	81 13/16	Int. Harvester	79½	78¾	4¾	Tobacco Prods*	4⅝	4⅝
34 7/16	Baldwin Loco.	33½	33¾	80¾	Int. Match Pref.	78½	78¼	80¼	Union Carbide	78	78¾
91 9/16	Bethlem. Steel	89	88⅛	22⅛	Int. M. Marine	21½	21½	63⅜	United Aircraft	61⅝	62
13⅝	Calumet and H.	13¼	13	26½	Intern. Nickel	25¾	25¾	34¾	United Corp.	33¾	34
13⅜	Celanese of Am.	13	13	17⅜	Intern. Paper 'A'	16⅞	17	87 7/16	United Fruit	85	86½
46 13/16	Cerro de Pasco	45½	45¼	36	Kennecott Cop.	35	35⅜x	74 9/16	U.S. In. Alcohol	72½	72½
37 1/16	Chile Copper	36	37	28 7/16	Kreuger & Toll	27⅝	27¾	20 1/16	U.S. Rubber	19½	19½
28 13/16	Chrysler Motor	28	28⅜	99	Lambert Co.	96¼	96¼	21⅞	U.S. Smelting	21¼	22
137⅞	Columbia Carb.	134	137	78 7/16	Lehman Corp.	76¼	76½	174⅞	U.S. Steel	170	170¼
19 3/16	Columbia Graph.	18⅝	18⅝	101⅞	Liggett Myers	99	100	152½	Do. Pref.	148¼	148
28 13/16	Cont. Bakng. A.	28	28¼	81 11/16	Loew's Incor.	79⅜	79⅜x	257 3/16	Utah Copper	250*g*	x250*g*
60 3/16	Cont. Can	58½	58⅜	62½	Mack Trucks	60¾	60¾	90¼	Vanadium Cpn.	87¾	87¼
93⅝	Corn Prod. Rf.	91	91½	38 9/16	Montg. Ward	37½	37⅜	157⅜	Westinghouse	153	153
76⅛	Crucible Steel	74	†76⅜	35¼	Nash Motors	34¼	34½	6 7/16	Willys Overld.	6¼	6
—	Curtiss Aero	—	—	87 3/16	Natl. Biscuit	84¾	85¼	68 7/16	Woolworth	66½	66⅝
28 1/16	Davison Chem.	27¼	27¼	48⅜	Natl. Cash Reg.	47	46¾	131 3/16	Worthn. Pump.	127½	128½
84⅝	Drug Incorptd.	82¼	82½	56 1/16	Natl. Dairy	54½	54⅝	117¼	Y'ungstn Sheet	114*g*	x114*g*
22⅛	Dunhill Intntl.	21½	24½	135 13/16	National Lead	132	133x				

g Asked. *New. † Sales.

PUBLIC UTILITIES.

Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.
74 5/16	Am. & For. Power	72¼	72¾	30⅜	Int. Rapid Trns.	29½	29½	204¾	Philadel. Com.	199	190
222 3/16	Am. Tel. and Tlg.	216	215½	44¼	Int. Tel. Teleg.	43	43	96 9/16	Pub. Serv. N.J.	93⅞	94½
101⅞	Am. Water Wks.	99	95¾	50 5/16	Nat. Pow. & Light	48⅞	49	41⅞	Radio Corpn.	40¼	41
65 3/16	Columbia Gas	63⅜	63½	109 7/16	North Am. Co.	106⅜	105¾	108	Standard Gas	105	105¼
14⅜	Comwlth. Sthn.	14	14⅛	60 13/16	Pacific G. & El.	59⅛	59⅝	38 1/16	United Gas Imp.	37	36¾
76⅛	Elec. P. and L.	74	74¾	270 9/16	Peoples Gas	263	266	174⅜	W. Union Tlg.	169½	171¼

OILS.

Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.	Eng. equiv.	Stocks.	Sat.	Fri.
35⅛	Atlantic Refin.	34⅛	33⅝	49¾	Royal Dutch	48⅜	48¼	71⅞	Standard N.J.	69⅞	70
28 13/16	California Pet.	28	28	42 11/16	Shell	41½	42	31⅝	Do. N.Y.	30¾	30¾
23 11/16	Mid-Cont. Pet.	23	23	14 13/16	Shell Union	14⅜	14⅛	53¼	Texas Corpn.	51¾	51¾
55 11/16	Pan Amer. B	54⅛	54	21⅞	Sinclair	21¼	21⅝	13¼	Tr. Continental	12⅞	—
18½	Petroleum Corp.	18	17¾	62	Stand. California	60¼	60⅜	40¾	Union Oil Calif.	39⅝	39½

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Globe. Tuesday, September 9.

"STREET SCENE."

A Play. By Elmer Rice.

The world has been sufficiently informed that "Street Scene" is a scene in a street. It is a long street and a long scene, and if you are going to like this play you had better begin at once, for it does not get any better or any worse. "You see your dinner before you!" is a saying familiar to guests in Germany; your host bids you take your fill here and now, for there is nothing to come. This play is like that. You see before you the front of a "walk-up apartment house" in a mean quarter of New York, the equivalent, one supposes, of Somebody's Buildings in Camden Town. The spectator is located in the first-floor front opposite, and the whole play consists in what goes on in the street below, on the steps, and at the windows of the apartment-house.

It is said that every work of art has some total gesture, a pronouncement which simple people endorse every time they say about a work of art, "What does it mean?" What does Mr. Elmer Rice intend that we should gather from his agglomeration, using the word in its exact and therefore respectful sense? An apartment-house obviously consists of apartments, each of which, it is common knowledge, yields up to anybody possessed of the dramatist's eye its particular comedy or tragedy. What is the point of a play which is not so much one play as eight or ten plays happening simultaneously? For I take it that Mr. Rice will agree that a playwright should be something more than a reporter. Take the man who is found hanged with a letter to the Coroner in his pocket explaining that his wife has run away. Will not Mr. Rice agree that the business of the reporter is to state the fact and correctly copy the letter, whereas the business of the playwright using this fact is to explain the pity, terror, or possibly convenience of it? Whether it is a good or bad job for everybody is not at all the reporter's, but supremely the artist's, business. *A fortiori* the playwright who, so to speak, takes the lid off a dozen apartments and shows us their inhabitants toiling, rejoicing, sorrowing, falling in love, quarrelling, giving birth, committing murder, getting drunk—surely such a playwright must give the sum of his facts that significance which he would not deny to each fact taken singly. Or mustn't he?—as Mr. Evelyn Waugh's Miss Runcible would acutely query. Does the lumping together of a lot of people and their doings suffice in itself? Is lumping essentially dramatic?

Is It Drama?

I am inclined to think that it is, or has got to be, and for this reason. You cannot add emotions and events together in the way that you do numbers. When we say that two and two make four, we regard that four as an entity into which two and two are somehow merged, an entity about which I have suggested that it is the dramatist's first business to have something to say. But you cannot add this man's ecstasy to that man's worry and declare the result to be something different from either. A murder in one room and a child-birth in another do not tot up to anything, and remain a murder and a child-birth. Even that astute metaphysician, the Walrus, did not, one gathers, propose to detect a principle unifying shoes, ships, sealing-wax, cabbages, and kings. It is only in the dithyrambs of the sentimental ballad-writer that the entire universe resolves itself into a single chord "like the sound of a great Amen." Therefore it comes about that nothing is added to or taken from the jealousy of Maurrant, the commercial traveller in this play, by the facts that in the next room Mrs. Buchanan is about to have a baby, in another old Mrs. Cushing is dying of heart disease, in a third a young Jew is writing poetry, and in a fourth the prosperous little Italian music teacher has for lodger a son who drives a taxi-cab and is a scoundrel in other ways. Maurrant kills his wife, Mrs. Buchanan has her baby, and neither event prevents the taxi-driver from taking out his cab that evening. These three separate things do not add up to any ascertainable sum; there is, so to speak, no "three" for the dramatist to get hold of. And I presume that Mr. Rice has not written this play just to prove that life goes on.

Other Models.

It would be idle—or, rather, it would make one too busy—to detail the various activities of the forty-odd characters who figure in this play. The point is that there are over forty characters, each of which is odd enough to hold our attention, though one does not quite see what is gained by their simultaneous presentation. Or is something gained, and ought one to see it? After all, this was the way in which Zola wrote his novels and Walt Whitman his poems. "Zola's novel is practically the daily paper," Mr. George Moore has pronounced. When Whitman, in his "Song of Myself," takes to his bosom the pure contralto, the carpenter, and the duck-shooter, we feel that there is no reason why he should not equally have chosen an Indian squaw, a street-car conductor, and the President of the United States. Mr. Theodore Dreiser chooses this method also, for he cannot report an inquest without insisting, entirely irrelevantly, that the Coroner would have had a new ulster if his wife, *who is called Ella*, had not set her mind for the last three winters upon a fur coat. The fact that Miss Cushing's mother complains of the heat, "though I'm afraid it's really her heart," bears just as much or as little relation to Maurrant's act of violence as Ella's fur coat does to the murder in Mr. Dreiser's book. Both are part of an elaborate plot to stun the mind which, recovering, decides that it has been impressed. If this is not the notion behind Mr. Rice's method, I discover one other unifying principle and one only.

This is the old fallacy that all poor people are miserable, and that misery is a framework which draws all who endure it into one and the same picture. Actually, there are two fallacies here. Major Fallacy: All poor people are miserable. This is as untrue as to suggest that worms are miserable. Man deems the worm miserable because he endows it with his own consciousness, and knows that he would be miserable in the worm's place. But the poor are not essentially miserable as anybody knows who has lived among them; the sense of poverty, like that of beauty, is largely in the eye of the beholder. The dwellers in Mr. Rice's apartment-house suffer no more distress through the proximity of that storage-warehouse than do the inhabitants of some fashionable avenue from the nearness of some smart hotel.

This brings me to my Minor Fallacy, which is that one touch of poverty makes the whole world dramatically kin. It is inconceivable that Mr. Rice would set us down opposite a block of expensive flats, and invite us to find a common thread drawing together a fashionable poet and a rum-runner, the faithless wife and harum-scarum daughter of a millionaire tobacconist, and the untrustworthy President of a Ham and Beef Trust, and call the whole "Fifth-Avenue Scene." One feels that the rich would resent the common frame, whereas the poor cannot help themselves. In other words I take Mr. Rice's play to be the usual piece of intellectual snobbery.

Good Entertainment.

How far, to people who do not bother about the implications of a work of art, or whether a play is of that order or a lesser, how far is "Street Scene" to be deemed a good entertainment? The answer, I think, is not nearly as good as "Porgy," whose variety it lacks, yet good enough. One feels that the camera might equally well have been directed upon the houses on either side, that incidents and characters could have been added or subtracted or any substitutions made without damage to the whole, a state of affairs not consonant with, say, "Macbeth," "The Cherry Orchard," "The Lower Depths," or any work of art except possibly the picaresque novel. The joy of contrivance, you see, has entirely gone by the board since there can be no question of dovetailing if you are going to throw on to the stage all the wood there is. But again there are compensations, particularly for people in this country. Most of the types, too, are new to us, and it would not be astonishing if the play had considerable success over here; what is more astonishing is that it should have had an immense vogue in America, where the characters are familiar. For the play is no whit better than "Down Our Street," and we know what happened to that. Perhaps America likes to wash its indigent linen publicly. We don't.

Obviously the piece must have required the finest stage-management, to use the less pretentious word, and the best possible acting. It has received both, and I shall only mention the more than satisfying performance of Mr. David Landau as Maurrant and the extraordinarily sensitive and lovely playing of Miss Erin O'Brien-Moore as Maurrant's daughter, Rose. But everybody in the enormous cast was excellent, and one gathered that the opinion of the house was, on the whole, highly favourable. I mean that a great many people liked "Street Scene" immensely, a few moderately, and only a very few not at all.

Palace. Wednesday, September 10.

"FREDERICA."

A Musical Play. By Ludwig Herzer and Fritz Lohner. English Version by Adrian Ross and Harry Pepper. Music by Franz Lehar.

This is a very pretty piece. Throughout prettiness shakes a floral fist at you from window-box, arbour, and one unescapable apple-tree. Never for a single moment does prettiness stop hitting you in the eye. There is prettiness in the costumes of the ladies, romantically stayed, and in the blameless little tunes they carol. Prettiness in that story of young Goethe and the ill-starred wench of Sesenheim. Frederica begins her evening rapt and ends it wan, as one might well do who spends eight years parting from genius with intervals of purely sentimental collision. This does not prevent the young woman from appearing over window-boxes to listen to her metaphysical lover's pleasing tenor voice. Goethe desisting, she plucks a rose out of the massed geraniums, which the poet deftly catches and presses to his philosophic lips. This is a world insensitive to bathos, and there is not a smile in the house when someone presently enters and says, "Hullo Goethe." Then we have a crinolined interlude, complete with minuet, in a Strasburg drawing-room. Finally, the curtain rises upon a scene which sets the audience panting with admiration. It is autumn at Sesenheim, and each enchanting spray of blossom on the apple-tree has been replaced by an enchanting apple! Goethe returns, and is categorically told that Rica is not the happy girl she used to be:—"She's in the meadow. I'll go and find her!"

It could be wished that Mlle. Lea Seidl would lay aside her tendencies to affectation, for her Frederica is naturally winsome, possesses what might be a kind of grave charm, and certainly speaks a deliciously uncertain English. Moreover, she acts almost as well as Mr. Joseph Hislop sings, and sings by no means as indifferently as that operatic singer must be said to act. Mr. Roddy Hughes contrives, without material, to be tolerably funny, and Miss Vera Lennox to be markedly pert and dainty. As for the music, those who like it will like it; good luck has attended them. Others may deem Herr Lehar's hand to have lost some of its cunning and the score of this operetta to be short of sparkle. To which this distinguished Austrian may justly retort that one does not sparkle easily in connection with the author of "Wilhelm Meister."

Kingsway. Thursday, September 11.

"HER FIRST AFFAIRE."

A Comedy. By Merrill Rogers and Frederick Jackson.

This is a bright little, tight little affair concerning a gushful novelist, a flapper who sees in him the embodiment of his own high-falutin' adulterers, a wife who eggs the flapper to the verge of expectation and then pushes her over, and the flapper's young man who completes the pattern by making overt hints at a clandestine affair with the wife. This piece, which takes three acts to unfold, pursues the even but far from noiseless tenour of its kind. It is industriously acted As the novelist, that good, serious actor Mr. Henry Hewitt makes Herculean and occasionally successful efforts to prove himself a light comedian. As the wife Miss Zillah Bateman lets loose a battery of nods and becks and wreathèd smiles which would have opened Milton's eyes. As the flapper Miss Margery Binner is rather nice. And as her young man Mr. Jack Hobbs exhibits all those endearing young charms which go with a navy-blue, double-breasted pea-jacket and tennis bags. Easily the best performance comes from Miss Ellen Pollock, who plays a French maid and is really something to write to Paris about. The piece was very well received, in reply to which most of the company and half the authors made buoyant speeches.

FILM NOTES.

LON CHANEY'S LAST PICTURE.

By SYDNEY CARROLL.

Science has a knack of making the greatest poet obsolete. We can no longer speak of "the poor player who struts and frets his hour upon the stage and then is heard no more." Actors can now, thanks to science, be seen and listened to even after their death. Poor Chaney, dead and buried, still remains with us. His premature passing after the making of his first talking picture has a grim tragi-comic significance. Lon Chaney was the most terror-striking figure of the silent screen. He had a thousand-and-one disguises. His face was as plastic as rubber, hideously lined with wrinkles and creases. He delighted in its distortions. He could make a human gargoyle of himself as could no other actor ever known. He grew rich, amassed a big fortune from his sheer repulsiveness. The talkies came and presented him with the problem of his life. He formed the same distrust of and aversion from them as still has the great Chaplin. Chaney hesitated a long while before succumbing to their temptations. Then, conceiving a great idea, he tried to subdue them to his macabre, his diabolic, outré personality. He would, he decided, have not merely one voice, but five. He would indulge in shrill feminine shrieks, in masculine deep gutturals. He would coo like a dove, hiss like the serpent, and roar like the bull of Bashan. His first vocal experiment would be as bizarre, as horrifying, as unexpected as were his former ghostly fittings through the silent celluloid avenues to fame through which he had travelled the full length.

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"The Unholy Three" is the only talkie he made. It is a triumph, not of art, but of ghoulish entertainment. It is sordid, shocking, calculated to scare the nervous stiff; it reeks of bloodshed and crime, monstrosities, and abnormalities of flesh and mind; it has in it a giant and a dwarf and a huge and savage gorilla; it strays from a curiosity and freak museum into a bird and monkey store, and from there into the city's wealthiest centre, the forest's wildest glade, and, finally, the criminal court and the prison. As a cyclorama of thrills it is undeniably entertaining. Every known trick of melodrama can be found in it. It is a dramatic jazz!

Lila Lee plays in it a crook heroine with charm and earnestness. A little fast and loose in her affections, the character has not too much sympathy. Miss Lee secures for the part more than it deserves. Elliott Nugent is an adequate if uninteresting hero. Honesty faced with Lon Chaney, however, was bound to be a little dull.

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At the new Dominion Theatre, so recently handed over to the movies, they are doing

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PLAYS AND PLAYERS

THIS WEEK'S PREMIERES.

Sept. 15.—Embassy: "Give a Dog."
17.—Winter Garden: "Follow a Star." Arts: "Monsieur Brotonneau."
18.—Prince Edward: "Sexton Blake."
20.—Aldwych: "A Night Like This." (Continuation of run.)

An interesting autumn production will be Mr. Benn Levy's English version of Marcel Pagnol's comedy, "Topaze," which the Daniel Mayer Company, with the Shubert Corporation, will present on or about October 6 at the New Theatre. The limited season of "Richard III." will end on October 4. "Topaze" will go to Glasgow next week, and to Southampton the following week. Since it was produced two years ago at the Variétés, Paris, where it is still running, it has been played by over seventy different companies in all parts of the world, including New York, Belgrade, Budapest, Vienna, Leningrad, Rio de Janeiro, Prague, Stockholm, Christiania, Rome, Milan, Copenhagen, Brussels, Madrid, and Munich. Mr. Benn Levy's English version is in the eighth month of its successful run in New York. Mr. Raymond Massey is to play the title-part, Topaze, a timid schoolmaster in a French town who becomes a wealthy but "crooked" financier. Miss Alice Delysia has the chief woman's part; Mr. Frank Cellier will be M. Castel-Benac, the financier who first dupes Topaze and is then beaten by him at his own game; Mr. Frederick Lloyd is the headmaster of the school where Topaze works; and Mr. Sebastian Smith is another assistant master. Also in the cast are Mr. Marcus Barron, Mr. Donald Wolfit, Miss Dorothy Dunkels, and Miss Martita Hunt. The play will be produced by Mr. Reginald Denham, with scenery designed by Aubrey Hammond.

The Incorporated Stage Society are starting their activities on Sunday, October 26, with the Three Hundred Club production of "Three Flats," a play by a new author, Mr. Malcolm Muggeridge. Mr. James Whale hopes to be back from America and able to produce it and design the sets. This will be followed on December 7 and 8 by a translation of "Chéri" by the French writer Colette. The third production will be on February 8 and 9—a psychological play dealing with Russian artists in the 'eighties, to be produced by Komisarjevsky. The fourth and last production will take place on March 22 and 23; it has not yet been decided on, but will be either a modern Japanese or European play or an Elizabethan comedy.

"The Three Musketeers" at Drury Lane reaches its 200th performance next Friday. I am told that it is justifying Sir Alfred Butt's experiment in dispensing with "stars" by doing very well indeed since the change in cast. This is certainly good news; the absence of "stars" engaged at enormous salaries means that expenses are lowered and audiences can be smaller without endangering the run of the piece; that the minor parts can be better paid and consequently better played; and that the whole production gains in balance and all-round efficiency. It is a policy already successfully pursued by Mr. Basil Dean and Sir Nigel Playfair, among others; in the interests of good production it is to be encouraged.

"Monsieur Brotonneau," which will be presented at the Arts Theatre Club on Wednesday, has been adapted by Ruth Chatterton from the French of Robert de Flers and G. A. de Caillavet. It was first performed at the Theatre Porte Saint Martin in 1914, and was revived by the Comédie Francais in 1923 with de Fernandez as Monsieur Brotonneau, the little banker whose domestic crises give the play its theme. The cast will include Mr. Ivor Barnard, Mr. Charles Quartermaine, Miss Daisy Markham, and Miss Beatrix Thomson.

"Follow a Star," which opens at the Winter Garden Theatre on Wednesday with a cast including Miss Sophie Tucker, Mr. Jack Hulbert, Mr. Claude Hulbert, Miss Irene Russell, and Mr. A. W. Baskcomb, has had a five-weeks' tour in the provinces before coming to London. There have been one or two small changes, but nothing of importance, since the start. I am credibly informed that Miss Sophie Tucker has a song entitled "I Don't Want to Get Thin" and another "I Can't Go Wrong Except with the Right Man," or words to that effect.

The action of "Sexton Blake," to be presented at the Prince Edward Theatre on Thursday, takes place inside and outside 18a, Lowndes Square, in Sexton Blake's consulting rooms in Baker Street, in the cellar of an empty house in Finchley Road, and at Sunningvale level crossing. The cast includes Mr. Arthur Wontner as Sexton Blake, Miss Eva Gray, Mr. John Roderick, Mr. George Fearon, Mr. Quinton Macpherson, Mr. Wilfred Babbage, Mr. Arthur Macrea, Miss Dora Gregory, and Miss Pauline Loring.

Dairies and tailors' shops supply the scenes of "All that Glitters," which opens at Margate to-morrow, and will come to the West End later. The cast will consist of Miss Mary Jerrold, Miss Eileen Eley, Miss Amy Veness, and Messrs. Richard Goolden, Frederick Burtwell, Osmund Willson, Arthur Hambling, Edmund Phelps, and Wilfred Shine, and Mr. Hubert Harben will produce.

Mr. Athole Stewart sails for New York on October 4 to produce and play his original part in "Canaries Sometimes Sing," which Mr. Charles B. Dillingham will present at one of his theatres on October 20. Miss Yvonne Arnaud will also play her original part, while Mr. Robert Loraine will replace Mr. Ronald Squire. Mr. Stewart is also producing Somerset Maugham's new play, "The Breadwinner," which opens on September 30 at the Vaudeville. Miss Marie Löhr will be playing in this piece, and has now left the cast of "The Silent Witness" at the Comedy. Miss Mary Clare takes up her part to-morrow.

The eighth series of Green Room Rags will begin next month and will be given at the Strand Theatre instead of at the Queen's Theatre as last season. The first Rag of the season will be given on October 5 at the Strand Theatre, and the chief Rag-picker will be Sir Gerald du Maurier.

The Queen's Theatre, which has just been re-decorated, opens again on Tuesday week with the Browning play from the Malvern Festival, "The Barretts of Wimpole Street." Like "The Apple Cart" last year, this play went straight from Malvern to Sir Barry Jackson's Birmingham theatre. Its cast includes Miss Gwen Ffrangcon-Davies, Miss Marjorie Mars, Miss Joan Barry, Mr. Cedric Hardwicke, and Mr. Scott Sunderland. During the Birmingham season the character of Edward Moulton-Barrett has suffered slight modifications.

Owing to the great success the Irish Players have made in "Far-Off Hills," they are continuing to play for another week in Hampstead. To-morrow week, however, they will have to withdraw in favour of "The Honeymoon," which Mr. Arnold Bennett has considerably modernised for its production at the Everyman.

To-morrow Mme. Anna Pavlova will begin the second week of what has been announced as her farewell tour of the English provinces at the Streatham Hill Theatre. Mme. Pavlova's programme will include, in addition to divertissements, four one-act ballets: "The Fairy Doll," "Chopiniana," "The Grotto of Venus," and "Amarilla."

On October 1 a new play, "Knave and Quean," will be presented at the Ambassadors Theatre. It is a picaresque costume drama of the period of 1725, and the stage pictures are said to be in the manner of Hogarth. The author is Edwin Justus Mayer. The leading parts will be played by Miss Mary Ellis, who is well known in America, and Mr. Basil Sydney (who played the clergyman-lover in "Romance"). D. P.

BRIDGE.

Conducted by YARBOROUGH.

FALSE CARDS.

It is often necessary to deceive an opponent by the play of a false card (or discard) even at the risk of misleading a partner. The play of cards in their correct order is too informative. The declarer fumbles for information by leading cards in the various suits and scrutinising those dropped by opponents: it is poor play while he is doing so for opponents to help him along towards his contract by giving him useful information by the play of their cards. Opponents must give as little information as possible. They must play false cards on every occasion when they can deceive the declarer or at any rate keep him guessing.

Many games depend on selecting the better of alternative finesses, and false cards often obscure the situation so that the declarer is induced to select the wrong finesse. It requires in some cases a fair degree of skill to see in time when the situation demands that a false card be played. Any player can see the reason for concealing important cards in his own hand, but fewer players realise when it is important to play false cards to conceal important cards in their partner's hand.

WHEN TO PLAY FALSE CARDS.

While it is probably true that in no branch of play has there been such general progress in the past few years as in false-carding, still this is not always, however, done with judgment. I have known a player to lose a game through leading a Queen from a suit in which he held the King. He had a mania for false cards, and on this occasion had a vague idea that a false card would make it more difficult for the declarer, but beyond this had no definite object, and did not realise how much more difficult he was making it for his partner.

The lead of the Queen denied holding the King, and completely misled his partner, who later could have saved the game had he not been misled. The partner's confidence must never be shaken by the play of false cards which serve no definite purpose.

The usual occasions when the play of a false card is indicated are (1) when it is necessary to conceal the length of a suit; (2) when concealing a card of re-entry; (3) when concealing a high card in one's own or one's partner's hand against which a finesse is threatening. There are other occasions such as when calling with a high discard though possessing really nothing of value in the suit, the object being to induce a lead through one's pretended strength up to one's partner's real strength.

EXAMPLES FROM PLAY.

I have combined into one hand for the purpose of illustration (and to economise space) two actual instances of the play of false cards in separate games. The essential feaures in both cases have been compressed into the following distribution:—

Y: ♠ 10 9 8; ♥ 8 5 4 2; ♦ 10 7 5; ♣ K Q 6

A: ♠ K J; ♥ 10 7 3; ♦ J 9 6 4 3 2; ♣ 8 4

B: ♠ 7 6 5 4; ♥ J 9 6; ♦ Q 8; ♣ J 10 7 2

Z (DECLARER): ♠ A Q 3 2; ♥ A K Q; ♦ A K; ♣ A 9 5 3

In one case the false cards were played in Diamonds and in the other in Spades. In both cases play was in "No-trumps," and in both cases game could have been made (as illustrated by the composite hand with its nine certain tricks), but the declarer, deceived by false cards into the belief that in any case he had a certain game, dallied in the pursuit of extra tricks, until finally he failed to make game. Auction was being played, and not Contract, when no risk is ever incurred when a game is in sight.

THE ACTUAL PLAY.

A's opening lead was the 2 of Diamonds, thus concealing his long suit. It should, of course, have been the 4. Z assumed that the 2 was A's fourth best, and consequently that A and B had four Diamonds each. After his own Ace and King of Diamonds were taken out, even if the opponents secured the lead, Z was now assured that he could not lose more than two tricks in Diamonds. These two and two other possible losing tricks in Spades were, he felt, all he could conceivably lose. Game, he assumed, was certain, but there might be a slam, and in any case it was really now only a matter of how many tricks he could secure over and above game requirements! In both cases this was the line of reasoning.

Z took the first trick with the King of Diamonds and the second with the King of Clubs, and then led and ran the 10 of Spades. A now played a brilliant false card. He took the trick in Spades with his King, thus concealing his Knave of Spades, his only possible card of re-entry for his Diamonds. He then led back the 3 of Diamonds. Z took the trick with his Ace of Diamonds, led a small club, took the trick with the Queen in Dummy, and then led and ran the nine of Spades. A then made his Knave of Spades and four tricks in Diamonds. This composite hand reflecting the detail of two instances of actual play shows the value of being on the alert to select the right moment for playing a false card. The indications given by the play of small and medium cards constitute a very important feature of Bridge. Players who know that opponents watch closely for these indications will find that the gentle art of playing false cards will lessen the danger from them and may occasionally trap opponents.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

M. C.—You will find the list of Quick Trick values about which you are inquiring in Whitehead's "Complete Auction Bridge." The simple values which must be kept in mind are: A, K, = 2; A, Q, or A, J, 10, = 1½; A, = 1; K, Q, = 1; K, x, = ½.

J. C.—Authorities do not agree on all the detail of the various bidding situations when an informatory double is used. The general rule is that a double of "One No-trump" or of "One" or "Two" of a suit is informatory if the partner has not made a bid.

A. B. inquires what Y should call in the following circumstances: Z made an original bid of "Two Diamonds" after A, Y, and B had passed. A then passed Y held Spades, K, x, x, x; Hearts, x, x, x, x; Diamonds, x, x; Clubs, K, x, x. Answer.—Y has no justification for disturbing the bid.

CURRIE inquires if an offence against the etiquette of the game of Auction has been committed in the following case: Z bid "One Heart"; A doubled; Y passed; B then said, "What is the score?" Answer.—There is nothing in the rules of Etiquette at the end of the Laws which condemns B's remark except the paragraph on words spoken "to convey a very distinct intimation to a partner." In the manner of the remark conveyed the intimation that B had alternative bids according to the state of the score, then the remark was evidently unfair.

C. H. B. K. inquires how the following interesting hands should have been bid in Contract:—Z (dealer) held Spades, K, Q, x, x, x; Hearts, K, J, x, x, x; Diamonds, A, x; Clubs, x; and Y held Spades A, x, x; Hearts, A, x, x; Diamonds, K, x; Clubs, A, Q, 10, x, x. Actually YZ found their way into a game bid of "Four Hearts" and made one overtrick. Answer.—The hands are simple to bid thus: Z (dealer), "One Spade." His hand is a two-suiter on which a low original bid is made so that the bidding is not too high later for the second suit to be shown. Y has such a strong hand that he must make a "forcing" response. His best bid is "Two No-trumps," as Z must have the Ace of Diamonds. Z must now show his second suit and bid "Three Hearts." Y is then in possession of full information on the pattern of Z's hand, and need not delay over bidding a small slam in Spades. He has himself three Aces, and cannot expect a further bid from Z if he only bids "Five Spades."

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"The Dawn Patrol." This is a kind of aerial "Journey's End," a romance of British aviation in the early part of the great struggle, a film well worth seeing.

As in our famous English war piece, there is not a solitary woman figure. All the personages in the drama are men, young aviators, some of them mere boys, fighting against fearful odds, for they are pitted against the most experienced and successful of German aces. We see them die, dropping like flies. Artistically conceived and carried out in the high spirit of pure tragedy, "The Dawn Patrol" is, despite a strange American flavour in the sentiment that insists on breaking out every now and again, a great effort. Howard Hawks, who has directed it, has managed to get his aviation details as nearly accurate as makes no matter. His spectacular effects of fighting in the air, bombing, crashing, etc., are superbly brought off. He has a fine dramatic sense.

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Maurice Elvey's "School for Scandal," in which Miss Madeline Carroll and Mr. Basil Gill appear so successfully, has proved such an attraction at the Plaza in conjunction with "Let's Go Native," that it will be repeated for next week.

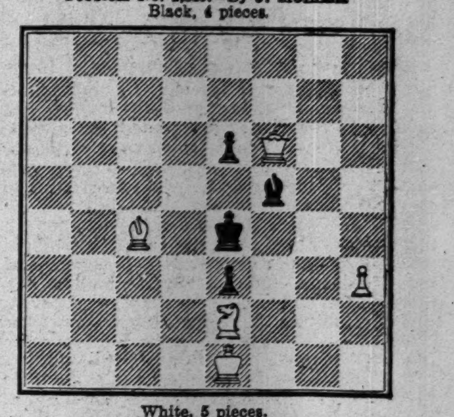
You must make a point of seeing the new and next piece at the New Gallery, "Common Clay." Constance Bennett comes under the direction of Victor Fleming, whose work is generally worth while. This piece is based on the well-known Broadway success.

CHESS.

By L. VAN VLIET.

Re Problem No. 2,309.—So very few correct solutions of this problem have been received, we think it best to postpone publishing the solution till next week to give solvers a second chance. Position.—White: K at QB7; Q at KKt3; Bs at KKt sq, and QB4; Kt at K3; P at QR3. Black: K at Q5; Kt at QKt2; Ps at KB3, and KB4. White to play and mate in three moves. *Correct* second moves are essential in reply to the different moves of: the King; Kt—B4; Kt—Q3; P—B4; and P—B5!

Problem No. 2,310.—By J. MOLLER.
Black, 4 pieces.



White, 5 pieces.
White to play and mate in two moves.

CORRECT SOLVERS.

A correct solution of Problem No. 2,302 is acknowledged from F. W Spargo (Meiktila, Upper Burma). Mr. Spargo, in reply to inquiries re time-limits for match play, is informed: there are no hard-and-fast rules. The most popular time-limits vary from fifteen moves an hour to twenty-four moves an hour, according to the importance of the contests And that means, when the limit is, say, fifteen moves an hour, and a player has made thirty moves within the first hour, he may, if he chooses, consume a whole hour over his thirty-first move! There is, however, no law to prevent two Burmese rival champions from playing a match with a time-limit of ten moves an hour, or at the speed of a second a move!

Additional correct solutions of Problem No. 2,308 are acknowledged from E. G. Barlow, D. Corby, C. E. Craig, Cyrus, Emdee, Dr. Edridge-Green, A. B. Gupta, Mala, M. M., I. M. Brown, and Senex, who remarks: "A marvellous position. The key gives tremendous scope for Black's checks by discovery, and the mates are nearly all of entrancing beauty." Many appreciations of the problem have been received from other solvers.

Correct solutions of Problem No. 2,309 have been received from J. P. Orr ("A splendid problem. Second moves mostly very difficult to find. Wonderful variety"), W. G. Lowe ("A fine problem—the play, 1. . . P—B5; a magnificent variation"), A. Le Grys ("A worthy companion to Problem No. 2,307"), E. C. de Segundo ("Very difficult and elusive. Second moves not easy. The fine 'model mirror' mate in the variation, 1 . . . Kt—Q3; deserves special mention"), J. E. Vaughan ("Complicated and baffling. Great variety of clever mates"), W. W. Hunt, V. G. Walrond, V. H. Sladen, J. R. Wilson, I. M. Brown ("A delightful study of much artistic merit"), F. Hurst ("The best 3-mover, so far"), A. A. Maris ("Great variety into such a small setting. Many good 'tries.' There should be some casualties over this one"), J. I. Binks ("Most ingenious"), Clephane, Abdahab, P. Martin, C. White, and Edgley.

AN EXCITING GAME.

Played in the recent international contest at Hamburg between Mr. W. Winter (London) and M. A. Steiner (Budapest):—

White. W. Winter.	Black. A. Steiner.	White. W. Winter.	Black. A. Steiner.
1 P—Q4	Kt—B3	13 P x P	B—KB4 (h)
2 P—QB4	P—K3	14 B x B	R x Kt
3 Kt—QB3	B—Kt5	15 P x Kt	Q x P (ch)
4 P—K3 (a)	Castles (b)	16 K—R sq	Q—B7
5 B—Q3	P—Q3 (c)	17 R—KKt sq	R—K8
6 Kt—K2	P—K4 (d)	18 B—K3	Q x B
7 Castles	R—K sq	19 KR x R	B x R
8 P—B3!	P x P (e)	20 P x P	R—K8
9 P x P	P—KR3	21 B—K4 (i)	R—KB sq
10 Kt—K4! (f)	P—Q4 (g)	22 Q—Kt5	Q—B7 (j)
11 Kt x Kt (ch)	Q x Kt	23 P—Kt8 (Q)	Resigns (k)
12 Q—R4!	Kt—B3		

(a) Following the lead of Rubinstein, who considers this reply stronger than Q—Kt3, or Q—B2.

(b) Unless Black desires to make 3. . . B—Kt5 a mere idle move, he must here play B x Kt (ch). Maroczy v. Rubinstein, continued, at Hamburg: 4. . . P—B4; 5. Kt—K2! P x P (?), with ultimate disastrous results for Black.

(c) Again, B x Kt (ch); would have been better, albeit not quite as good as on the previous move. And, 5. . . P—Q4; was also stronger.

(d) This, of course, was the object of P—Q3—to obtain an "open" game. It soon becomes plain, however, that the strategy was not profound.

(e) Considerably better was 8. . . B x Kt; 9. P x Kt! Q Kt—Q2; although, even so, White's position would have been superior—the result of Black's faulty opening moves.

(f) The Bishop, at Kt5, is now in the air, and is threatened with extinction by P—QR3, etc.

(g) Practically this means a lost game for Black. His only chance of salvation was 10. . . P—B3.

(h) Ingenious, but unavailing.

(i) B—B8, also wins; for, if 21. . . Q—K7 (threatening Q—B8 (ch); then, 22. Q x R (ch), Q x Q; 23. P—Kt8 (Q), with a rook ahead.

(j) To what purpose? Immediate resignation was in order.

(k) An exceedingly well played game by Mr. Winter.

In the subjoined game, played in the Hamburg contest between M. E. Anderson (Denmark) and M. Steiner, the latter shows to better advantage:—

White. E. Anderson.	Black. A. Steiner.	White. E. Anderson.	Black. A. Steiner.
1 P—Q4	Kt—KB3	14 R—Q3	Q—R4
2 P—QB4	P—K3	15 P—QKt3	Q—R6 (ch)
3 Kt—QB3	B—Kt5	16 K—Kt sq	B—B4!
4 B—Q2	Castles	17 P—K4	P x P
5 P—B3 (a)	P—Q4	18 P x P	B x P!
6 Q—B2	Kt—B3!	19 Q x Kt	B x R (ch)
7 P—K3	P—K4! (b)	20 Q x B	KR—Q sq
8 QP x P? (c)	Kt x P	21 Q—Kt3 (g)	R—Q8 (ch)
9 Kt x P	Kt x Kt	22 K—B2	QR—Q sq
10 P x Kt	P—QB3!	23 Q—Kt5!	Q x RP (ch)
11 Castles (d)	B x B (ch)	24 K—B3	KR—Q6 (ch)
12 R x B (e)	P x P		Resigns (i)
13 Kt—K2 (f)	Kt—B5		

(a) Better is 5. P—QR3. Or, 5. P—K3, followed by Kt—B3.

(b) Already Black has the superior position.

(c) BP x P, was the correct reply.

(d) Preferable was: 11. B x B, Q—R5 (ch); 12. P—Kt3, Q x B (ch); 13. Q—Q2. If 11. P x P, then, Kt x P; would have been sufficient for Black.

(e) If Q x B, then, P x P; 13. Q x P, Q—B2 (ch); 14. K—Kt sq, B—B4 (ch); 15. P—K4, KR—Q sq; 16. Q—Kt3, B—K3; with a fine attack.

(f) Bad, of course, but good moves had grown scarce!

(g) A melancholy necessity. If, for instance, 21. Q—B2, then, QR—B sq; 22. Q—Kt2, R—Q8 (ch); winning easily.

(h) Quite useless; there was, however, nothing more to do.

(i) Mate in three moves is forced.

COUNTY AND DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE CHAMPIONSHIP.

The final results of this contest (under the auspices of the British Chess Federation) have just come in, and are as follows:—Middlesex, 22 points; Durham and Lancashire, 19½ each; Cheshire, 18½; Hampshire, 17½; Kent and Warwickshire, 17 each; Surrey, 15½; Lincolnshire and Worcestershire, 15 each; South Wales, 14½; Essex and Somerset, 14 each; Cornwall and Hertfordshire, 13 each; Devonshire and Yorkshire, 12½ each; Cumberland, 11½; Sussex, 10½; Northamptonshire, 8.

ACROSTICS.

DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 1,338.
(*The Second of the Quarter.*)

King Cricket soon will pass away,
Another monarch now holds sway.

1. The shortest month necessity
Insists must now much shorter be.
2. Musical drama here we view,
Hope rarely shows it split in two.
3. Let Humpty Dumpty's form recall
Where was the final test of all?
4. Part of a beast, or fish, or bird;
The final letter of a word. REMUS.

Solutions, addressed to the Acrostic Editor, must reach the office of the SUNDAY TIMES, *186, Strand, London, W.C.2. not later than by first post on Friday next.*

DOUBLE ACROSTIC No. 1,337, AND ANSWER.

Courage! Your task is now begun.
This never has fair lady won.
Courage! For we may well surmise
This will not win acrostic prize.
1. The first? Complete is what we wish,
And, rearranged, may be in fish.
2. The second? Insular in sound,
Within a church it may be found.
3. The third? A mountain, or a maid,
In pyramid alone displayed.
4. The fourth? It may be three, or four,
Thirteen, a million, or a score.
5. The last? One word, the mark is plain;
Two words, a liquid dark obtain. REMUS.

1. F I N I S H
2. A I S L E
3. I D A
4. N U M B E R
5. T A R G E T

Acrostic No. 1,336 (*Button*).—Correct answers were received from 72 solvers, incorrect from 17. For the second light, Douko, a river in Madagascar, provides a satisfactory answer.

Acrostic No. 1,335.—The second light has produced some interesting letters and curious results. "Alan" is given in many dictionaries as an obsolete word, yet Scott used it in one of the Waverleys; so Balin could not be rejected. "Aban," too, must be admitted. Laban and Jacob were not brothers, as the word is generally used, yet Laban said that they were.—(Genesis, ch. 29.) The reference in first-class literature compels the acceptance of this answer. Haran is not accepted. The argument is: a letter, a B, Abram. To take "a B" as one letter reduces the answer to an inferior class.

LAST QUARTER.

All thirteen acrostics were correctly solved by Aon, Ardon, Cobweb, Edin, Herod, Leumel, Pussy, Slugo, and Wahed. These nine competitors, and any others who claim full marks for the series, are requested to communicate at once with the A.E., being careful to give their real names and addresses as well as their pseudonyms.

THE WORLD OF MUSIC.

THE B.B.C. AND ITS ORCHESTRA.

By ERNEST NEWMAN.

A number of good people seem to have been strangely agitated by the news that the B.B.C. has at last formed a permanent orchestra which, it is hoped, will ultimately become one of the best in the world. Vested interests in this town or that regard themselves as threatened. There is wild talk of the iniquity of "a Government department" entering the field against private concert societies. There are panic forecasts of the ultimate concentration of the music of the country in the hands of "a monopoly." To all which the country turns a tolerant but unconvinced ear—thus showing its fundamental commonsense.

The Adullamites will do well to remember that the question is a rational, not a local or a sectional one, and that the nation as a whole is completely uninterested in the affairs of this town or that, the fortunes of this local orchestra or that. No orchestra whatever has any right to complain of the competition of any other orchestra, for in the terms of the case most of the existing and complaining orchestras must have begun as competitors of some already existing orchestra. They can hardly object to a process that perhaps began with themselves being continued beyond themselves. Is the opposition to the B.B.C. orchestra based on the theory that the B.B.C. is "a Government department"? If so, that objection comes with a singular inconsistency from people who, in the next breath, will clamour for a Government subsidy for opera.

Every new opera company that comes into existence is necessarily a competitor of the companies already existing; and a State-aided opera would be the most serious competitor of all. Suppose the State were to subsidise an opera company on some such principle as that suggested by the late Sir Charles Stanford and others—the troupe to perform in London for so many weeks in the year, and then to tour the provinces; would not that be a hard, perhaps a deadly, blow at the already existing touring companies? But would the country as a whole pay much attention to the latters' complaint? Would not the argument be that the national interest must come before the private interest, and that it would be folly to throw away the chance of getting, by national means, an artistic organisation of a quality to which the limited resources of a private organisation could never aspire?

DOWN TO BRASS TACKS.

Into the question whether the B.B.C. is or is not "a Government department" I do not propose to enter. Academic points of this kind do not interest me. I prefer to deal with realities. And the reality of the matter is that one of the undisputed functions of the B.B.C., a function demanded of it by the people who keep the B.B.C. going by paying their licence money, is the supply of orchestral music to listeners all over the country. That being so, will anyone outside a lunatic asylum contend that the B.B.C. should be satisfied with any orchestra but the best that money—the money of its subscribers—can buy? The fact that that orchestra is, for obvious practical reasons, located in London, and so may come into competition with other London orchestras, is irrelevant to the case; the wireless listener in Biggleswade or Galashiels or Bandon can hardly be expected to deny himself the best that can be bought with his money in order that this or that London orchestra may be free from competition.

I personally should be sorry to see any of the existing orchestras in London or any other town go under. But whether they do or do not is completely irrelevant to the realities of this particular matter, which are that only by wireless can nine hundred and ninety-nine music lovers out of a thousand hope to hear the best of the world's music on a great orchestra, that the intermediary between that music and these people is the B.B.C., and that therefore the B.B.C. is not merely justified in putting its energy and its funds into the provision of this music for these people but is under a positive moral, not to say financial, obligation to do so. The big towns, with their own orchestras and their own factions, must realise that the country as a whole is not in the slightest degree interested in their local egoisms They must solve their local problems in their own way, or frankly give them up as insoluble in face of the changing conditions of the world; but they really cannot expect millions of people in other towns, or far away from all towns, to deny themselves a legitimate enjoyment merely for their sakes.

MUSIC BY WIRELESS.

It has been hinted that my own attitude towards wireless is different from what it was a few years ago. That is, in one sense, true; in another, untrue. I think better of wireless music now than I did then, for the simple reason that I get better reception. The B.B.C. made a great mistake when they first approached the London critics on this subject. They provided us with receiving sets of a kind the memory of which now brings a smile to the face. The artistic results were mostly very bad, and I, for one, frankly described them as such. When the SUNDAY TIMES installed an infinitely better set in my house I realised where a great part of the previous trouble had lain; and with the knowledge that I had been blaming a poor set for some of the poor results I had got I began to take a more scientific as well as artistic interest in the subject.

But as regards the main point, my opinion of wireless music remains what it was in those early days. It is not, nor do I see how it ever can be, the real thing. To revert to a simile I have employed more than once before, it is merely a photograph of a picture, or, better still, a coloured engraving of it. But I have always urged that that is better than nothing—that just as it is infinitely better for a man who can never hope to get to the National Gallery or the Prado to see a fine print of a Titian or a Velasquez than never to know what the picture is like, so it is better for him to hear the Eroica or an Elgar symphony by wireless than never to hear the work on an orchestra at all.

THE BETTER THE PERFORMANCE THE BETTER THE TRANSMISSION.

But it is this very fact of the natural handicap of radio as against the real thing that should unite the country to the support of the B.B.C.'s new orchestra. Leaving out of consideration the question of the improvement that is going on year by year in the receiving sets, there can be no doubt that the better the performance is the better the transmission will be. I listened-in at home to one of the four concerts of Toscanini and the New York orchestra, and was amazed at the *reality* of it, especially in the Eroica and the Brahms Variations. Evidently a great number of other listeners had the same experience, for I received letters from all over the country asking shrewdly whether a great deal of the bad reception that is generally put down to the innate defects of wireless may not be, in truth, simply the result of bad playing and bad conducting. I believe they are. I believe that with a perfect orchestra and a conductor of the rarest genius the country will find that the difference between wireless music and the real thing, though it will still exist, will be less than what it has hitherto thought to be inevitable. The B.B.C. have now made the first step towards getting ideal transmission. The second and far more difficult step—that of finding the perfect conductor—it has still to take; and we can only hope that it will not turn out that a potentially first-rate instrument has been spoiled by having it played upon by second- or third-rate conductors.

Whether we like it or not, wireless music has come to stay. Whether we like it or not, the B.B.C., for economic reasons, is bound to be, in a very little while, the largest purveyor of orchestral music in the country. Sensible people, then, will not waste their time wringing their hands over a past that cannot be recalled, but will address themselves to the problem of getting the best possible results out of the new conditions. If anyone rejoins that one result of the general substitution of wireless for concert music will be a deterioration of the musical ear, I shall make a twofold reply to him. In the first place, in the case of 99 per cent. of the people who listen to a concert by wireless there is no question of "substitution," for they would never have the chance of hearing a similar concert with a first-rate orchestra in the concert-room. To these people, then, the former argument applies in full force—that it is better for them to hear a masterpiece by wireless than never to hear it at all. As for a future general deterioration of the musical ear, in the sense that the ear will become insensitive to certain fine shades of musical sound, that may be regarded as tolerably certain; anyone who listens much to wireless music must be aware that he becomes increasingly resigned to the loss of these fine shades, and that if he did not keep supplying a correction by frequent hearings of the instruments in the concert-room he would be in danger of losing his musical sensitiveness by imperceptible degrees.

INEVITABLE CHANGES.

It is quite possible that in half a century or so the average man will not know what an orchestra actually sounded like in our days, because he has never heard one except by wireless; just as the day will probably come when the English people will be able to form no conception of the one-time beauty of the English village except from old photographs. But regrettable as things of this kind are, they are inevitable, and humanity has a queer faculty for adapting itself to seemingly fatal changes and getting a new set of experiences out of them. In the middle years of the nineteenth century the lovers of the tone of the old natural horns and trumpets saw nothing but ruin facing music owing to the growing vogue of the valve horn and trumpet. What Adolf Bernhard Marx, for example, has to say on this subject in his "Die Musik des neunzehnten Jahrhunderts und ihre Pflege" (published in 1855), must have seemed unanswerable at that time. (I have often wondered whether Wagner's apology for his use of the valve horns, in a note prefixed to the full score of "Tristan," may not have been called forth by Marx's book.) But the valves had come to stay; music lost something but at the same time gained something; the musical ear of the day adapted itself to the changed conditions; and the average musical ear of a later day is not even conscious of there having been a change, of either gain or loss. So it may be some day with the timbres of orchestral music as modified by wireless—the only medium through which most people will hear these timbres; people will not know what they are missing because they have never known tone-masses and tone-blends of any other kind. But the future, fortunately, is no concern of ours: we can leave it to take care of itself.

THE WEEK'S MUSIC

The Promenade Concerts.

The people who propose that composers should now begin to write specifically for the wireless have evidently never studied composers' textures in a scientific way. Had they done so, they would have seen that each composer of genius has an unconscious bias towards a texture and a colour of his own. Not being himself conscious of it, the last thing of which he would be capable is to change this bias to suit the supposed necessities of wireless. A composer writes himself not only in, but upon, his music in ways of which most people, including himself, have not the least idea. Wagner, for example, thought he was continuing Gluck's "Iphigenia in Aulis" overture (which we had on Tuesday evening) on strictly Gluckian lines; whereas, to the skilled listener, the change from the one individuality to the other is as unmistakable as if the film screen had shown us Gluck retiring from the scene and Wagner sitting down in the chair he had vacated. And in the Bach-Elgar fantasia and fugue that were played on Wednesday there are several passages that give us an odd feeling of having been interpolated by Elgar, so surely does some typically Elgarian line or wash of colour stress a resemblance of phrase that had been too faint for us ever to notice before.

Second-rate Clowning.

The new works at the Promenades during the past week have not been of world-shaking importance. Marcel Dupré played the solo part in his symphony for organ and orchestra. M. Dupré may be an excellent organ player—of that I am no judge; but as a composer he is not to be taken seriously. This alleged symphony is one long stream of the commonest and dullest academic tags, without a gleam of anything remotely resembling inspiration from first to last. Nor was Honegger's new 'cello concerto, in which the solo part was admirably played by M. Maurice Maréchal, very much better. Like so many other composers of the moment, Honegger will have to make up his mind before long whether he is to follow his natural bent, which is towards an amiable if not distinguished neo-romanticism, or deny this and continue to play the dashing modern by biting the hands that have fed him. He begins his concerto with quite a nice bit of facile sentimentality in the Gershwin vein. Unable or unwilling to continue in this vein, he branches off into the idea-less harmonic futilities of which most people now are heartily sick; and towards the finish he seeks refuge from his own poverty of thought in that easiest of all musical devices, farcical burlesque. Unfortunately the thing he is guying is not worth guying, while the clowning itself is second-rate, even for musical clowning.

Mr. Bush's "Impression."

On Thursday evening we had Arthur Bliss's concerto for two pianos, with Mr. Hely-Hutchinson and Mr. Ernest Lush enjoying themselves hugely in the dashing solo parts. I wrote about this work, I think, last year. Its high spirits make it a welcome interlude in any programme between two works in which the intellectual pressure to the square inch is heavier. On Thursday it came before Elgar's first symphony and Alan Bush's "Symphonic Impression No. 8." (The other seven are unknown to me.) Mr. Bush, we were told in the programme note, is a pupil of Schnabel for composition, and is at present studying philosophy in Berlin. The combination does not seem to be very good for him as a composer. The B.B.C. weather announcer, had he been there on Thursday, might have described the work as a deep impression over Queen's Hall. Schnabel has apparently communicated to Mr. Bush his own earnestness but not the genius that illumines it; and German philosophy has perhaps completed the deadly work. This "Symphonic Impression" is the nearest thing to Kant's "Critique of Pure Reason" that I have ever come across in music. About Mr. Bush's philosophic bent there can be no question; rarely have I listened to anything so earnest, so suggestive of the philosopher with "his cogitative faculties immersed in cogibundity of cogitation." Unfortunately, though one respects the composer's seriousness of intention, and though there are moments in the work when he gives hints of a really fine imagination, as a whole the music is hopelessly overborne by the desire to be profound. I came away with a passionate longing for half an hour of some light music, such as the Ninth Symphony or the Great Fugue.

E. N.

In these days, when our people are facing dangers as serious as any that have confronted them in their history, there is one thing more important even than safeguarding or Empire trade. That is a strong and self-respecting House of Commons.—*Lord Eustace Percy.*

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES.

This afternoon Gergely will give a pianoforte recital on the National programme. The evening service will be relayed from St. Martin-in-the-Fields. Albert Sandler and the Park Lane Hotel Orchestra will also broadcast.

NATIONAL (261.3 metres and 1,554.4 metres).

10.30-10.45 a.m. (1.544.4 metres).—Time and Weather.
3.0.—Church Cantata No. 25, Bach, "Es ist nichts Gesundes an meinem Leibe" ("There is no Soundness in my Flesh"); Kate Winter (soprano) Stuart Robertson (bass); Wireless Chorus; Michael Mullinar (harpsichord); G. D. Cunningham (organ); B.B.C. Orchestra.
3.55.—Children's Service, conducted by Mr. E. R. Appleton: A Shipwreck and a Deliverance, from Cardiff.
4.15.—Wireless Military Band; Heddle Nash (tenor).
5.30.—Pianoforte Recital by Gergely.
6.0-6.15.—Bible Reading: The Letters of St. Paul—7, Ephesians ch. 1 and 2.
7.55.—Service Address by Rev. P. McCormick, from St. Martin-in-the-Fields.
8.45 (261.3 metres).—Dr. P. Hamill appeals for the Metropolitan Hospital, London, E.
8.45 (1,544.4 metres).—Sir Montagu Burrows appeals for Wingfield Orthopædic Hospital.
8.50.—Weather and News.
9.5.—Albert Sandler and Park Lane Hotel Orchestra; Beatrice Elburn (soprano); Albert Sandler (violin), from Park Lane Hotel.
10.30.—Epilogue.
10.40-11.0 (1,544.4 metres).—Silent Fellowship, from Cardiff.

LONDON REGIONAL (356.3 metres).

3.30.—Gershom Parkington Quintet; Foster Richardson (bass); Vera More (pianoforte).
5.0-5.30.—Beginnings of Christian Theology—7, Scripture, Creed, Church: by Rev. J. K. Mozley.
8.45.—Dr. P. Hamill appeals for the Metropolitan Hospital London, E.
8.50.—Weather and News.
9.5.—B.B.C Orchestra; Leslie England (pianoforte).
10.30.—Epilogue.

MIDLAND REGIONAL (479.2 metres).

3.30.—Midland Wireless Orchestra; Emilie Waldron (soprano); Wilfred Ridgeway (pianoforte).
5.0-5.30.—London Regional.
6.30-7.50.—Service, conducted by Rev. Dr. Parkes Cadman; relayed from Carr's Lane Church, Birmingham.
8.45.—Dr. Naughton Dunn appeals for the Gloucester Samaritan Fund and Guild.
8.50.—Weather and News.
9.5.—Birmingham Military Band; Lewis Knight (bass); Norris Stanley (violin); Richard Merriman (cornet solo).
10.30.—Epilogue.

MANCHESTER (376.4 metres); NEWCASTLE (288.5 metres); LIVERPOOL (288.5 metres); LEEDS-BRADFORD (200 and 288.5 metres); SHEFFIELD (288.5 metres); HULL (288.5 metres); and STOKE-ON-TRENT (288.5 metres).—3.0.—National. 4.15.—Old English Programme; arranged by Dr J. E. Wallace; Liverpool Tudor Singers: Gladys Foster; Elizabeth Dyson; Hetty Rodgers; J. R. Abrahams; Stanley R. Maher; Dr. J. E. Wallace (harpsichord); Isabel McCullagh (violin). 5.30-6.15 and 7.55.—National. 8.45.—Alderman A. H. Evans appeals for Seacombe Poor Kiddies and Old Folks Association. 8.50 and 9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

CARDIFF (309.9 metres) and SWANSEA (288.5 metres).—3.0.—National. 3.55.—Children's Service. 4.15.—National Orchestra of Wales; Enid Payne (pianoforte). 5.30.-6.15 and 7.55-9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue. 10.40-11.0.—Silent Fellowship

BELFAST (242.3 metres). — 3.0. — National. 4.15.—Symphony Concert; Gladys Parr (contralto); Ernest A. A. Stoneley (violin). 6.0-6.15 and 7.55-9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

BOURNEMOUTH (288.5 metres); PLYMOUTH (288.5 metres).—3.0-6.15.—National. 7.55-9.5.—National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

GLASGOW (398.9 metres); ABERDEEN (301.5 metres); DUNDEE (288.5 metres); and EDINBURGH (288.5 metres).—3.0-6.15—National. 7.55-9.5—National. 10.30.—Epilogue.

DUBLIN (413 metres (relay of Cork).—8.30.—Station Orchestra. 8.45.—The All-Ireland Trio. 9.0.—Micheal O'Grada (Amhrain Gaedhilgo). 9.15.—Yvonne Morris ('cello). 9.30.—Lee Rowsome (pipe solos); Seamus O'Mahony (violin solos); Neilius O'Croinin (flute). 9.45.—Yvonne Morris. 10.—Michael O'Grada. 10.15.—The All-Ireland Trio. 10.30.—Station Orchestra.

FOREIGN FEATURES.

BRUSSELS (508.5 metres, 1 kw.).—8.15.—Orchestral Concert of Czech Music. 9.0.—Piano Recital. 9.15.—Concert.

BUDAPEST (550 metres, 23 kw.).—6.30.—Soprano Song Recital. 7.15.—Orchestral Concert. 8.15.—Concert of Arias from Old Operettas.

COPENHAGEN (281 metres, 0.75 kw.), and KALUNDBORG (1,153 metres, 7.5 kw.).—8.2.—Orchestral Concert. 9.0.—Violin Recital. 10.25.—Danish Song Recital from the Works of Lange-Müller.

HILVERSUM (announced Huizen) (1,071 metres, 8.5 kw.).—2.10.—Orchestral Concert. First Part: Schubert Selections; Second Part: Popular Music. 7.55.—"The Creation"—Oratorio (Haydn).

HUIZEN (announced Hilversum) (1,857 metres, 8.5 kw.).—8.50.—Soprano Song Recital. 9.0.—Orchestral Concert: Overture. "Czar and Carpenter" (Lortzing). Scandinavian Suite (Juel-Frederiksen). Selection from "The Tales of Hoffmann" (Offenbach). 9.50.—Soprano Song Recital of Bohemian Folk Songs. 10.10.—Orchestral Concert.

LANGENBERG (473 metres, 17 kw.) and COLOGNE (227 metres).—4.30.—Orchestral Concert. 8.10.—"Der liebe Augustin"—Operetta (Fall).

MADRID (424 metres, 2 kw.).—3.—Concert. Selection from "La Tosca" (Puccini). Overture, "Poet and Peasant" (Suppé). 8.—Dance Music.

MILAN (501 metres, 8.5 kw.).—8.32.—"The Rose of Stamboul"—Operetta (Fall).

MUNICH (533 metres, 1.5 kw.). 6.—Tenor Song Recital. 8.—Orchestral Concert. First Part: Programme from the Works of Gustav Heuer, the Composer conducting. Second Part: Overture, "Hans Heiling" (Marschener). Soprano Solos, Fantasia on Strauss Melodies (Weber).

PRAGUE (487 metres, 5 kw.).—12.5.—Orchestral Selections. 8.—"Das Veilchen vom Montmartre"—Operetta (Kálmán).

ROME (441 metres, 75 kw.).—1.30.—Quintet Concert. 5.30.—Vocal and Instrumental Concert. 9.5.—Concert of Italian Music. "Le Furie di Arlecchino" — Musical Play (Lualdi); Vocal Quartet Selection from "La Rondine" (Puccini); Selections from "Othello" (Verdi); "Cavalleria Rusticana"—Opera (Mascagni).

TOULOUSE (385 metres, 8 kw.).—8.15.—Tango Recital. 9.2.—Selections from "Faust" (Gounod). Overture, "Le Roi d'Ys" (Lalo). Introduction, Entr'acte and Barcarolle from "The Tales of Hoffmann" (Offenbach). Overtures. "Prince Igor" (Borodin) and "Oberon" (Weber). 10.40.—Concert for British listeners.

AUCTIONS AND ESTATES.

A BUSY WEEK.

A number of important properties will come under the hammer during the week.

On Wednesday, at Edinburgh, Knight, Frank and Rutley will offer by auction the estate of Baldarroch, Perthshire, of 648 acres, and the same day at Buxton they will submit Sherbrook Lodge, Buxton, with five acres, at the upset price of £2,600. The remaining portions of the Lofts Hall estate, some 1,233 acres, between Saffron Walden and Royston, will come under the firm's hammer at Bishops Stortford on Thursday, as well as Piggotts, Elmdon, an ancient moated farmhouse with 13½ acres.

The Hockham Hall estate, of 1,096 acres, between Watton and Attleborough, Norfolk, will be submitted by Knight, Frank and Rutley at Watton on Friday. There are nine farms and cottage properties as well as the mansion in a timbered park.

Alterations of the sale dates of three properties have been announced by Knight, Frank and Rutley. The auction of Claremont, Esher, has been postponed until October 9, while Ottershaw Park, between Sunningdale and Woking, will now be offered on October 16. The Berkeley Square and Bruton Street site, which extends to nearly 55,000 square feet, will be submitted on November 6 instead of September 25.

White and Sons, of Dorking, in conjunction with Hampton and Sons, will sell by auction, at the New Bull Inn, Leatherhead, on Thursday, Kingston House, Bull Hill, Leatherhead, a freehold period residence with 4½ acres of grounds. Evans and Evans, of Stafford, in conjunction with Hampton and Sons, will offer, at their auction rooms, Bank House, Stafford, on September 25. Dear Hill, Newport Road, Stafford, a commodious family residence with 1½ acres of gardens.

The Grosvenor Estate lease of 8, West Eaton Place has been sold by George Trollope and Sons, who have also disposed of Littlecourt, Buntingford, a picturesque Queen Anne residence with cottages, and 30 acres of land.

A residential property of charm and distinction, Little Menlo Beulah Hill, Upper Norwood, will be offered on October 7, at the London Auction Mart, by F L. Richardson, of Upper Norwood. The house stands on the crest of Norwood Heights amid beautiful wooded grounds. The house has interesting connections with Edison, inasmuch that several of his inventions in respect of the telephone and gramophone were first officially tested at Little Menlo, the house being named after Edison's own residence at Menlo Park.

The Hackford Hall Estate, Norfolk, of 590 acres, has been disposed of by Knight, Frank and Rutley who have sold for £8,950 the freehold investment arising from 1, 2, 4, and 5, Keat's Close, Keat's Grove, Hampstead Heath.

Deacon and Allen report the sale of No. 24, Oxford Square. They have also dealt with, among others, No. 1, Chester Gate, Regent's Park; No. 40, Pembridge Villas, and No. 5, Radnor Place. They will submit for auction in October the excellent freehold residence, The Cottage, Shiplake.

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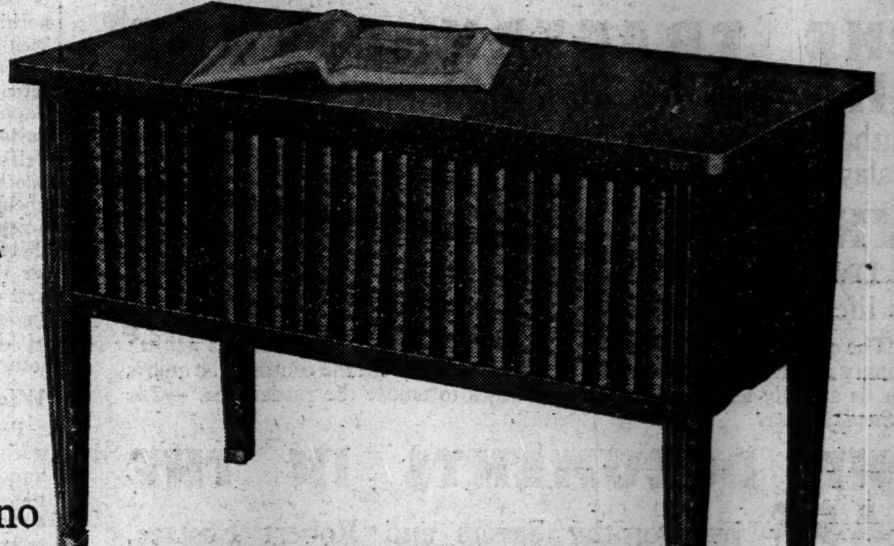

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THE CENTENARY OF HAZLITT:

SEPTEMBER 18, 1930.

By H. C. MINCHIN.

"We are mighty fine fellows," said R. L. Stevenson, "but we cannot write like William Hazlitt." What, it may be asked, are the grounds for this indirect encomium? They must be found, if anywhere, in the author's material and manner.

Hazlitt was a journalist—indeed, he may be called the prince of journalists—who for twenty years supported himself, often precariously, by his pen. Some of his subjects, inevitably, were ephemeral, but few professional writers have sustained so high a level of style. His theatrical criticisms, which are full of zest and pungency, can still be read with enjoyment. In his "Conversations with Northcote" he proved himself an apt disciple of Boswell. He wrote biographies also, notably Napoleon's. But his supreme excellence is to be sought in the miscellaneous essays he contributed to Leigh Hunt's "Examiner," and to other journals of the day. It is these that made and have maintained his literary reputation, and have put him, among modern English essayists, securely upon Elia's plane.

The pair meet on the common ground of literature and criticism; their dividing line is politics, for which Lamb cared little or nothing. Hazlitt, on the other hand, was a keen and even bitter partisan, who managed to combine enthusiasm for reform with intense admiration for Napoleon. But happily he could lay aside political prepossessions at will, and the bulk of his writings is dissociated from party. There is often, it is true, a slight flavour of revolt about the essays, of impatience with accepted standards, but it is imbued by their author's genuine and generous desire for the welfare of mankind. Hazlitt was first and last a critic, and no critic, however anxious to discern and commend the virtues of his age, can shut his eyes to its imperfections.

Wideness of His Appeal.

Politics apart, his appeal is wide as the world, and as pervasive as our common humanity. Sensitive to a degree, Hazlitt was acutely aware of the mingled beauty and ugliness of life, and possessed a remarkable power of communicating that awareness to others. He had not come by this power without effort; on the contrary, his first attempts at composition were both laborious and laboured. There was a time when he despaired of becoming a writer. Painting attracted him equally, as his portrait in oils of Charles Lamb as a Venetian Senator survives to remind us. But his canvases fell short of his ideal, and in hasty disappointment he threw down his brush. Yet that abandoned pursuit left its mark upon his writing. It eliminated jarring elements, and gave colour to his style.

His vocation once found, Hazlitt marched forward without sign of doubt or hesitancy. He attained, as a writer, to that complete mastery over his material which he was conscious of not having established as a painter. No author is less amateurish or more confident. Borne along triumphantly by the full breeze of his thought, he so carries his readers with him that they, too, seem to "pursue the triumph and partake the gale." Said to have been shy and awkward in general society, he admits them to his confidence without reserve, thereby providing himself with an outlet, no doubt, for overcharged feeling. Hence he is one of the most companionable of writers, comparable, in this respect, to Borrow and W. H. Hudson among departed masters, and to Mr. Arthur Machen among the living.

His Self-Criticism.

Hazlitt has been charged with undue severity to other people, but at least he does not spare his own weaknesses. "I can write fast enough now," he says, referring to his early struggles. "Am I better than I was then? Oh, no! One truth discovered, one pang of regret at not being able to express it, is better than all the fluency and flippancy in the world." Nor was there an atom of conceit about him. "What abortions are these essays!" he says—but here his reader wants to contradict him—"what errors, what ill-pieced transitions, what crooked reasons, what lame conclusions! How little is made out, and that little how ill! Yet they are the best I can do." This, to be sure, is the mood of despondency to which every artist is occasionally liable. We cannot question Hazlitt's sincerity, for he carried sincerity to the verge of a fault, making many enemies in consequence; but we know very well, as we read him, that his best is not the poor thing he makes it out, but something superlatively excellent.

The Fine Flower of His Work.

Where, then, is it to be sought? Perhaps, above all, in "Table-Talk," though many jewels of speech are scattered over the pages of "Winterslow," "The Round Table," and "The Plain Speaker." Charles Lamb wrote, though he did not publish it, a review of "Table-Talk."

> Strong traits of character stand out in this work [he says], and it is not so much a series of well-argued treatises as a bold confession, or exposition, of Mr. Hazlitt's own ways of feeling upon the subjects treated of. It is, in fact, a piece of autobiography, and to our mind a vigorous and well-executed one.

This is patent at the start, for the first essay, "On the Pleasure of Painting," shows us the young Hazlitt wandering, in rapt fascination, among the masterpieces of the Louvre. Hazlitt was no egoist, but he had a curiously aloof way of putting himself, as well as other people, under the microscope; and whether (to glance at the contents list of "Table-Talk") he is discoursing of "the past and future," of "genius and common sense," of "the ignorance of the learned," of "the Indian Jugglers" or of "living to one's-self," we are repeatedly aware of his own wayward and wistful, if slightly sardonic, presence making one in the debate. The delightful essay "On Going a Journey" contains a full-length portrait of the author in his energetic maturity.

But "Winterslow" runs "Table-Talk" hard, for does it not contain perhaps the most famous and valuable of all his essays, "My First Acquaintance With Poets"? When it is recalled that the poets were Coleridge and Wordsworth, that Hazlitt himself was a man of genius, and that all three were in the heyday of youth and hope and confidence, no wonder that the account of their meeting and high converse makes one of the classic pages of our literature. For its sake, "Winterslow," encountered one rainy autumn evening many years ago in an old house near Windermere, remains one reader's favourite.

His Incurable Pugnacity.

We form, as we read the Essays, an agreeable impression of their author's virile character. Unhappily, there was another side to it. Hazlitt was incurably pugnacious. If he would not quarrel with his own shadow, he was ready to fall out with anybody else's. This characteristic shows itself now and again in his writings. He has defamed rural society with the bitterest invective, instigated, it may be, by an episode of his youth, when visiting the Lake District, which got him into trouble. His essay on "The Pleasure of Hating" is as melancholy an exhibition of disillusionment as can be imagined. "I have quarrelled," he says in the course of it, "with almost all my old friends." Yes, even with Charles Lamb, with whom it must have been hard to be at variance. He was twice married, but found each partner incompatible. And yet his readers, except when he is in one of his ferocious moods, needs must like him. Clearly there was that about the man which similarly affected those who knew him. "I wish he would not quarrel with the world at the rate he does," wrote Lamb; "but I would belie my own conscience if I said less than that I think W. H. to be, in his natural state"—that is to say, when he was darkened by no cloud of prejudice or passion—"one of the wisest and finest spirits breathing."

THE VICTORIAN SCENE.

"As We Were: A Victorian Peep-show." By E. F. Benson. (Longmans, Green. 18s.)

"The Diary and Correspondence of Henry Wellesley, First Lord Cowley, 1790-1846." Edited by his grandson, Colonel the Hon. F. A. Wellesley. (Hutchinson. 21s.)

Reviewed by J. M. BULLOCH.

As readers of this journal have had the opportunity of testing, Mr. Benson has given us a vivacious and varied impression of the whole Victorian scene. Almost by the necessity of the case it is rather a patchy book, for the direct social influence of the Queen had waned before he was born—a few weeks after the present Queen—because, after the death of the Prince Consort, she remained, as he says, "socially cataleptic," and, if busy and industrious as ever, she was "out of touch with everything."

Early Victorianism.

The book, therefore, divides itself into two parts. The first describes Early Victorianism, which was a reaction from the days of the Brighton Pavilion and the revels of Carlton House, as he saw it animating his old relatives, like grandmamma Sidgwick with her bead bag, vinaigrette and "lazy tongs," and Aunt Emmeline, who "lay in bed and had bronchitis just as she might have had a dog or a canary," or Miss Moultrie chiselling with "ruthless carpentry" from classical music tunes for the Wellington School hymn-book. The other part describes some of the great social figures as he knew them, such as Gladstone, with his "huge concentration of force"; Oscar Browning, with "a genius flawed by abysmal fatuity"; Tennyson; Lady Henry Somerset; Louise Duchess of Manchester, with "the unswerving relentlessness of a steamroller"; Lady Londonderry, who "rooked" life "like a highwaywoman in a tiara"; and the lovely Lady Ripon, who entertained with a touch of "apotheosized Bohemianism."

All these portraits are etched with the reverse of what he wittily calls the "de mortuis nil nisi bunkum" touch. But, curiously enough, he is at his best in the earlier period, for here he gives an interpretation of a spirit rather than an inventory of events. Indeed, nothing more charming and illuminating has been written about Early Victorianism, especially in the opening chapter, which he calls "the pincushion."

The "Butterfly Touch."

As an example one loves the impression of the lady who shyly agreed to sing after dinner:—

> She explained that she was terribly out of practice as she put down on the candle brackets of the piano her gloves and her fan, her handkerchief, and if she was about to play, her rings and her bracelets also, and thus stripped for the fray, she cleared her throat and ran her fingers up and down the keys with the much admired "butterfly to ch" as a signal for the chatter to cease.

The Queen herself was very proud of her singing, and there is a perfectly delicious account of her, when quite an old lady, singing a duet from "Patience" with little Alick Yorke:—

> She said: "Now, Mr. Yorke, you begin," and Mr. Yorke obediently sang to the Queen: "Prithee, pretty maiden, will you marry me?" He got through his verse fairly well, and then the Queen, in a very clear, soft voice sang: "Gentle Sir, although to marry I'm inclined." She was much pleased with herself, and stopped in the middle of her verse to say: "You know, Mr. Yorke, I was taught singing by Mendelssohn."

Mr. Benson is at his best in his analysis of the Queen, whose common sense "amounted almost to genius."

> One entity in her was that of Her Majesty the Queen of England: the other entity was that of a very shrewd woman of the middle class, and neither of these strains had much in common with aristocratic instincts and ideas. . . . She knew nothing of the working-class, of the barbarous beggary, of the poverty and suffering and squalor in which they lived.

The "Dodo" Touch.

If Early Victorian ladies had the "butterfly touch," Mr. Benson still has the Dodo touch, though he makes it clear that something of the spirit of Dodoism has spread far beyond its original sources, as when he says:—

> Autumns in London, lip-sticking in public, winters on the Riviera, the kippering of her arms and legs, bosom and back on the sands of the Lido, and inability to remain in one place for more than a week were not habits of the Great Lady, who possessed that queer old quality called dignity.

He is particularly sane in his account of the baccarat scandal and in his view of the much-vaunted Nineties, especially as expressed in the "Yellow Book," in which Beardsley, he feels, was the only real novelty. John Lane, he acutely remarks, had "no objection against thin ice, provided he felt reasonably sure that it would not let him through." Such a passage is typical of the salving common sense of Mr. Benson, who, while quite conscious of the charms of Victorianism, especially in its early and middle periods, also favours "any besom that sweeps away the cobwebs of its conventionalism." "As We Were" is thus a delightfully reassuring book.

Victorianism in Diplomacy.

The Early Victorian scene and its immediate forerunners as concerning diplomacy, in India and on the Continent, especially between the years 1809-1846, are set forth in detail in the diary of the first Lord Cowley—the youngest brother of the Duke of Wellington—who, strangely enough, has had no biography. That omission is now repaired by the editing of his unpublished diary by his grandson, who was born seven years after the Queen came to the Throne.

It cannot be said that Lord Cowley committed any confessions to his diary, but now and again he throws a flood of light on tendencies, as in his reference to the nervousness of France over the visit of the Tsar to Queen Victoria in 1844. It was, he says, regarded in Paris with "much dissatisfaction," and was represented by the Opposition journals to be "a complete breaker-up of the Entente Cordiale between Great Britain and France." That shows how difficult was the path of the Queen on the sovereign side of her very busy life.

THE QUONDAM "SICK MAN."

"Turkey Faces West." By Halidé Edib. (Humphrey Milford. 14s.)

Reviewed by SIR SIDNEY LOW.

The civilised West has always misunderstood the Turks. In the past it regarded them with a mixture of alarm and reluctant admiration until it took to despising them. For about four centuries the rulers and peoples of Europe looked apprehensively upon the great military Power which had emerged out of Central Asia, and swallowed up one after another of the finest civilisations in the older world. It had brought down the Arab caliphate, Greece, Byzantium, the South Slavonic kingdoms; it had submerged the Danubian countries, and reached the walls of Vienna; and there were anxious moments when men had to ask themselves whether the Turanian wave might not roll onward to the Rhine or perhaps the Seine. Good Christians could hate the Paynim followers of "Mahoun," that false prophet; but they had to admit their military capacity and political energy. The Grand Seigneur was a very powerful and magnificent potentate, to be treated with assiduous respect. Then, after the middle of the sixteenth century, came the Ottoman decadence. The Empire lost one of its provinces after another, and suffered from internal weakness and misgovernment. It seemed moribund, and the European Governments sat round it, with vulturine eyes, quarrelling and intriguing among themselves for prospective shares of the carcase.

Turkey, however, like King Charles II., took an unconscionable time in dying, and showed a most inconvenient vitality at unexpected seasons. It is very much alive now, in a new form and vesture, though the Great War might reasonably have been expected—and *was* expected in European chancelleries—to finish it off, once and for all, and parcel it out in denationalised fragments. Yet Turkey continues to exist, a solid, compact, self-conscious nation-state, with a territory three times as large as Great Britain, and fourteen millions of people, who are determined to retain their identity, and have shown themselves able to do so, even when they had half the Great Powers of Europe against them. The post-war renascence of Turkey is one of the political marvels of our time.

An Ardent Patriot.

Mme. Halidé Edib is herself a characteristic product of the new Turkey, and she has assisted to bring it into being as writer, teacher, administrator, and political organiser. She helped to make Mustapha Kemal head of the Republic, but she finds the Ghazi too dictatorial, and has had to place herself outside his jurisdiction. Nobody could be better qualified to instruct us on the history and the psychology of her countrymen than this brilliant lady, who is familiar with the learning and thought of the West as well as with the old culture of Islam. I do not know of any recent book which puts the evolution and the situation of modern Turkey in a clearer light. One must read it, of course, with the reservation that the author is an ardent patriot, still burning with a sense of the wrongs inflicted upon her nation by the European governments, to whose motives and actions she sometimes does less than justice. There was plenty of blundering stupidity in their dealings with Turkey, up to and after the Treaty of Sèvres, but not quite the sheer callousness and covetousness Mme. Halidé Edib ascribes to them.

Her leading idea is interesting, and, to me at least, novel. She distinguishes between the Turks and the Ottomans. The old Sultanate with its resounding tread and swaggering imperialism was the creation of a military and political ruling caste, which maintained its ascendency by means of a standing army and a strong contingent of trained professional administrators. The dynasty, and its military and civil auxiliaries, were in reality non-Turkish and non-national. Officers, officials, and soldiers were drawn from all parts of the Empire and beyond it. Albanians, Arabs, Circassians, Greeks, South Slavs, were in the Sultan's service; even Christians and Jews were not excluded. The Ottoman ruling caste had abandoned the old Turkish traditions and institutions; its culture and ideas were exotic, drawn from Byzantium and Persia; even the original language had been dropped, or left to the villages, and replaced by an artificial dialect, with modified grammar and vocabulary. The old, and what Madame Halide considers the genuine, Turkish stock lived on in the Anatolian towns and valleys, ignored by Yildiz Kiosk and Pashadom, except when a contingent of hardy peasants was needed to reinforce the Commander of the Faithful's legionaries.

The Anatolian Folk.

These Anatolian folks were, and are, very different, so we are assured, from what the West has always supposed them to be. We imagine the rural Turk to be a rather stupid, ignorant Oriental, a fanatical Mohammedan, a natural fighting-man of excellent quality and extreme ferocity. We are informed that he is nothing of the kind, being, on the contrary, quiet, good-tempered, humorous, and naturally peace-loving, fond of poetry, music, and romantic fiction. So far from being a bigoted Moslem, he has always shown much independence in religious matters, and has developed a kind of "Protestant" or reforming Mohammedanism. No wonder the Englishman has been able to get on well with the Old Turk, who seems in some ways to be rather like ourselves. Like the Briton, he is by no means an ardent militarist, and in war is a little slow in the uptake, with some lack of *élan* and dash. But when stirred by patriotic or religious feeling he can be extremely formidable. He will hold on like a bulldog till he is dead, and does not know when he is beaten.

These qualities he showed amazingly in the Greek invasion of Asia in 1920-21. The western governments, which had encouraged and assisted the Hellenic attack, were quite confident that it would succeed. It should have done so. The Greeks largely outnumbered the Turkish forces, badly organised, hastily levied, and much inferior to the invaders in artillery and modern equipment. But once again the Powers had backed the wrong horse. The defenders felt that they were fighting for national and individual survival, for defeat would mean for them extinction and massacre. When Turks are in that frame of mind they can hardly be beaten.

The Republic and Its Future.

The Greeks, to the intense surprise of their European patrons, were completely worsted and hurled out of Asia Minor. The Sevres Treaty had to be revised; and the Anatolian Turks, disembarrassed of the Caliphate and their outlying provinces, which they had never really assimilated, settled down to begin life anew as a Republic, modernised and Westernised externally, but still instinct with the old Turkish traditions of nationality, individualism, and democracy, under Kemal Pasha's dictatorship.

What will they make of it? The war and its sequel filled them with deep distrust of Western policies and politicians. Yet Turkey has not, for centuries, been truly Asiatic. It has always looked Westward, and its temperamental impulses have not been those of the East. Disgusted by European selfishness and greed it has toyed with Bolshevism, Turanianism, and Pan-Islamism. But none of these ideas is acceptable to the Turk, with his sturdy individualism, his sense of nationality, and his democratic instinct and religion. He used to admire Great Britain above any other country, and liked the ways and the character of the English, and I believe he has still a lurking regard for us, notwithstanding the calamitous misunderstandings and estrangements of the past years. A restoration of the old mutual confidence and regard may still be possible if Englishmen of the right kind—the kind the Turks can respect and comprehend—took the matter in hand.

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Reviewed by SIR JOHN MARRIOTT.

The first thing to do, if we would solve our social problems is to draw a sharp distinction between poverty and pauperism. We are to-day involved in grave difficulties, financial, political, and social, because we ignore this pivotal distinction. For more than three centuries the State, in this country, has taken on to its shoulders the responsibility, sometimes comparatively light, at other times heavy, to-day crushing, of saving from starvation those who cannot maintain themselves. We had to face the problem at a much earlier stage in our history than other nations. And the reason is curious, not to say paradoxical. It arose from the fact that we were far ahead of other peoples in achieving social freedom.

Between freedom and pauperism there is a close connection. There is no pauperism in a society based upon slavery. The feudal system, based as it was on serfdom, kept pauperism at bay. The workless and the starving made their unwelcome appearance as the manorial system began to disintegrate. So long as the villein was *ascriptus glebæ*, bound to the soil, though he might go short, he did not starve. The emancipation of the serfs—delayed in most continental countries to the eighteenth or even the nineteenth century—was practically effected in England before the end of the fourteenth. Into the causes of that premature emancipation it boots not, in the present connection, to enter. The significant fact is that the break up of feudalism synchronised with the beginnings of poor law legislation.

Beggars and Monasteries.

For 200 years that legislation was mainly of a penal character directed against vagrancy. The State was alarmed by the appearance of the "sturdy beggar." Destitution was relieved, poverty was assuaged, by the Church—particularly by the Monasteries. Old Fuller, writing about a century after the dissolution of the abbey, declared that the Monasteries created the pauperism they relieved. It was certainly significant that the disease of pauperism was, long after the abbeys had been destroyed, most prevalent in the districts they had served. But, be that as it may, the State did not seriously tackle the problem of pauperism until the last years of the sixteenth century, when the social effects of the Reformation first began to reveal themselves. There was a great deal of paternalism in the dictatorial methods of the Tudors, not least in Elizabeth's, and her famous Poor Law of 1601 laid the foundations of the system which, in its main outlines, has persisted until to-day.

The Act of 1834.

Dr. Slater deals clearly, though summarily, with the history of the old Poor Law from Tudor days to those of the Industrial Revolution. The rapid changes which followed on the pivotal inventions of the eighteenth century, upon the growth of the factory system and the urbanisation of England, accentuated the problem of pauperism. The Napoleonic wars created an artificial prosperity; they stimulated war prices and the demand for English goods and services. All this coincided with the revolution in industrial and agricultural methods. But on the conclusion of peace there followed a period of profound depression; the demand for English goods was suddenly checked; prices came down with a run; the labour market was dislocated; bankruptcies multiplied.

The overseers of the poor were overwhelmed by the crisis. They had recourse to all the mischievous devices so mercilessly exposed in the famous Report of 1834. No member of a public assistance committee should be allowed to serve until he has passed an examination on the contents of that Report. Successful candidates would understand why a reformed Parliament passed the Act of 1834, and how the Central Commissioners appointed under the Act—the "Bashaws of Somerset House"—rid the land of the curse of able-bodied pauperism. Their methods were drastic. So obstinate a disease called—and calls—for operations other than those approved by "rose-water surgery"—as Carlyle phrased it.

Pauperism and Insurance.

So society won through. By the middle of the nineteenth century the problem of pauperism was practically solved; the problem of poverty persisted. In the twentieth century—under the stimulus of a widely extended franchise—the State began to concern itself more with poverty than with pauperism. Compensation for industrial accidents; insurance against sickness and unemployment; pensions for old age. Such measures were passed with general approval, though the more prudent would have made pensions contributory and thus sharply distinguished between pauperism and insurance. The crisis of these latter days has erased the distinction. Unemployment insurance has broken down under the incubus of pauperism. Social health will never be restored until the distinction is reaffirmed.

It is of these matters and others cognate to them that Dr. Slater writes in his valuable and erudite work. Disease, education, the housing problem, the drink traffic, betting and gambling, lunacy and mental deficiency, the care of the child, of the aged, of the blind, the deaf, and the disabled—all these difficult and important questions are subjected by Dr. Slater to searching analysis.

NEW FICTION.

MR. ALDINGTON AND OTHERS.

"Roads to Glory." By Richard Aldington. (Chatto and Windus. 7s. 6d.)

"The Pig is Fat." By Lawrence Maynard. (Gollancz. 7s. 6d.)

"One Flesh." By Rosita Forbes. (Cassell. 7s. 6d.)

"The Story of Maryam." By John Anthony. (Nisbet. 7s. 6d.)

"The Last Journey of Sir John Magill." By Freeman Wills Crofts. (Collins. 7s. 6d.)

"Death in a Deck-Chair." By Milward Kennedy. (Gollancz. 7s. 6d.)

"The Killing of Judge Macfarlane." By Mary Plum. (Eyre and Spottiswoode. 5s.)

Reviewed by RALPH STRAUS.

In spite of the prophets, it would seem that the war-books have not yet completed their innings. The autumn lists of new publications contain more than a few isolated examples, and although quite a number of people must by this time have had more than their fill of such books, I see no reason to suppose that because a really good novel happens to deal with the war it will suffer in popularity on that account.

It seemed to me that Mr. Aldington's "Death of a Hero," which was solely concerned with the war, struck a note that was new. It was as vivid and as moving as any of the others, but it also contained a vein of irony which most of the chroniclers had avoided. And it is this ironical note which gives to "Roads to Glory" its peculiar distinction. Here in thirteen short stories and sketches, none of which is without its tense moment, you see the many dramas of modern warfare, but, more especially, you are shown its monstrous stupidity. There are real heroes in this book, but they are not the usual heroes of war-fiction. Mr. Aldington hates nothing so much as a sentimentalised war.

And so here you have sketches and stories which looked at by magazine standards entirely fail. The deserter does not desert in order to save a woman's honour, the man who goes slowly mad is not miraculously cured, and the volunteer for "suicide" work is not given even a posthumous V.C. Private feuds are not hidden, sensitive "artists" are not shown as supermen, and the "last dying speeches" of men in the trenches are not "written up" for those at home. Mr. Aldington, indeed, is as blunt as he very well could be. But he is a real artist, and if some of his pages are exceedingly bitter, others are steeped in a strange beauty.

AMERICAN PRISONS.

The author of "The Pig is Fat" has himself known an American prison from the inside. He has written a novel about it which is one of the most remarkable books of the kind I have ever read. And its interest is twofold, for it not only lifts the veil from the real underworld (as distinct from the caricature of it which you may see on the films), but also tells an astonishing story which has obviously been founded on fact. There must be many Benny Wagners about—the weaklings who fear being considered a fool by their fellows worse than anything else. He, poor wretch, with a little luck, might have married his Lou, and settled down comfortably on Main Street, but this was the time when Prohibition and the bootleggers came. Benny becomes involved in a serious brawl, and finds himself in prison.

And that, for a man like himself, is the beginning of the end. His "friend" Jew Murphy introduces him to cocaine. Lou tries to save him more than once, but Benny, in the intervals of freedom is an accomplished "pusher" of the "junk" (an expert in getting the drug into the hands of its victims), and so very useful to the "big" men behind the scenes. He is never allowed to be really free, and, horribly, there comes a time when he does not care; he is as happy in prison as anywhere else. Mr. Maynard tells his tragic story very simply, very quietly, and with no touch of exaggeration. And I can recommend this first novel of his even to those who would ordinarily fight shy of any book of the kind.

A STRANGE MARRIAGE.

"One Flesh" is an ironical title. It is the story of a very strange marriage. Zara Wincombe, who is afraid of the hidden fires in herself, marries her Christopher Carlyon for the very good reason that she is in love with him, but a wiser woman than she would not have remained blind to the probable consequences. For her husband is hardly flesh and blood—he is a fine-drawn spectre of a man who ought never to have married at all. Zara mothers him nobly enough, but there comes a time when those hidden fires will not be kept down. She still loves Christopher, but she is no longer faithful to him. And the question arises: Does she meet her deserts?

There is an amusingly up-to-date background to this novel, and it has its moments of brilliance. All the feminine portraits are very well done. So, indeed is the very rich Jew who is Zara's friend. The portrait of Christopher, however, is less satisfactory; he is at times a little too elusive. And I am not convinced that so many words were required to tell the story of Zara and himself. Nevertheless, there is good work in the novel,

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KEATS DE LUXE.

"The Poems and Verses of John Keats." Edited and arranged in chronological order by John Middleton Murry. 2 vols. (Eyre and Spottiswoode. £3 10s.)

Reviewed by DILYS POWELL.

The harmless necessary reviewer can hardly be expected at this stage to find anything new to say about Keats. A century or so ago, as every schoolboy knows, it was quite easy to write about Keats.

> At first [as Miss Edith Sitwell quotes the "Quarterly"] it appeared to us that Mr. Keats had been amusing himself and wearying his readers with an immeasurable game of bouts-rimés; but if we recollect right, it is an indispensable condition of this play that the rhymes, when filled up, shall have a meaning; and our author as we have already hinted, has no meaning.

There was one for an impudent poet! Here is another:—

> The faults characteristic of his school are still held up with as much affectation by Mr. Keats as if he were fearful of not coming in for his due share of singularity, obscurity, and conceit.

Cardinal Wiseman found him lacking in "moral glow" and "virtuous affection"; and Leigh Hunt knew that he was audacious in "giving precise localities to the occasions of certain poems": "I mention these things, which now look trivial, because his readers will not think them so twenty years hence." No, nor a hundred years thence. Mr. Middleton Murry is concerned in this handsome edition of Keats with the "trivial" matter of chronological order. As Mr. Murry points out, Sir Sidney Colvin arranged the poems chronologically, but he himself "was chiefly instrumental in superseding his own previous labours." Mr. Murry, building upon both his own and other critics' scholarship, has produced "a new and, as far as may be, definitive, edition of Keats's poems in order of time."

POETRY AND DOGGEREL.

No, the reviewer cannot be expected to say anything new about Keats; the stream of praise grows brackish; nor, though changes in literary fashion threaten temporarily to relegate the Romantics to the second row of seats, is it quite time for vituperation in the old Edinburgh style. One thing, however, in Mr. Murry's edition it is possible to emphasise. Sir Sidney Colvin "chose to eliminate from the sequence of poems many pieces which seemed to him unworthy or facetious." Mr. Murry has let the sequence as he sees it stand, so that the reader finds the poet much more varied than he is generally pictured. After the sonnet, "Keen, fitful gusts are whisp'ring here and there," after the wish for a "golden pen" and "heap'd up flowers," we come upon

> Give me women, wine and snuff
> Until I cry out, "Hold, enough!"
> You may do so sans objection
> Till the day of resurrection.
> For bless my beard they aye shall be
> My beloved Trinity

and that curious sonnet, "Before he went to feed with owls and bats"; after "Lines written in the Highlands after a visit to Burns's Country," the doggerel "Gadfly." It is a relief to be reminded that Keats was not a professional languisher. The man who reads him in this edition will thus find a new pleasure—over and above that of handling such finely produced volumes. But could it not have been possible to find a less inane title-page design?

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which should give rise to more than a little discussion.

MORE OF HASSAN.

A year ago I was greatly entertained by an unusually droll book called "The Story of Hassan." Obviously that book needed a sequel, and it is now forthcoming. "The Story of Maryam" is written in the same hilarious spirit, and, if anything, it is rather more adventurous than its predecessor. Here you see the inimitable Hassan choosing the highly respectable career of a dacoit, and obtaining (in a most un-Western way) the wife of his choice. The situations in which the young couple find themselves become curiouser and curiouser, and here, too, their story is constantly but most delectably being interrupted by the inclusion of some indecorous, though highly philosophical, tale.

SOME THRILLERS.

The September choice of the Crime Club is Mr. Crofts's new Inspector French story, "Sir John Magill's Last Journey," and a more difficult problem this dogged detective has rarely been called on to solve. Why did Sir John go so unexpectedly to Belfast, and how and why and when was he murdered? Quite a number of people, including his son, his nephew, and his private secretary, stood to benefit by his death, but *who* killed him? French himself is obliged to make numerous journeys to various parts of the British Isles before the various and apparently contradictory clues can be satisfactorily woven together. This is a good example of Mr. Crofts's careful work.

Mr. Anderson's "Death in a Deck-Chair" gives Mr. Kennedy another opportunity of displaying his ingenuity. There may be less than usual to guess, but the sleuth-hunt is conducted in the prettiest way, and, as always, Mr. Kennedy gives life to his people. One of these days he should write a less bloodthirsty story.

Miss Plum takes us to Chicago, where "The Killing of Judge Macfarlane" is but part of a "gangster" melodrama. A young Englishman becomes curiously mixed up in the business, but manages to play amateur detective fairly well. And the real murderer is not in the least the man you expect him to be.

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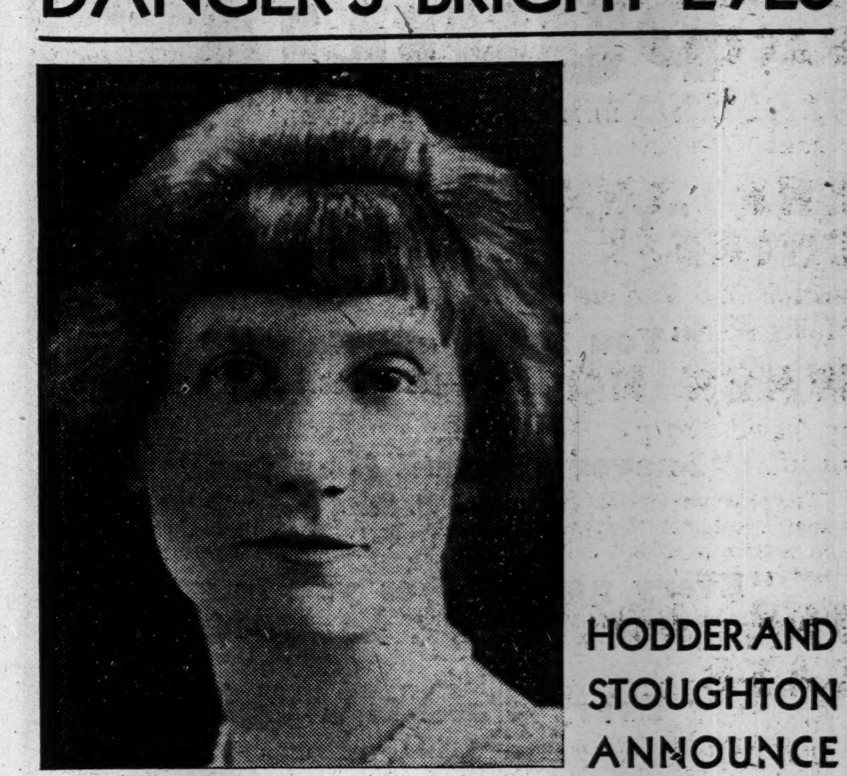

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EULENBURG: FROM FAME TO SHAME.

"Philip Eulenburg: The Kaiser's Friend." By Johannes Haller. English version by Ethel Colburn Mayne. (Secker. 2 vols. 30s.)

This is a frank attempt at rehabilitating the principal figure in one of the most sickening scandals of pre-war Germany. The memory of that scandal still stinks. In Germany there were convulsion and revulsion, and the outside world saw and heard with amaze the besmirching of the character of some of the foremost leaders of the German State. The Kaiser himself was involved through his long and intimate friendship with Eulenburg. Was Eulenburg a pervert, a homosexualist? Dr. Haller, who is an authoritative as well as an ardent advocate, is more than satisfied that the gross charges were unfounded, and that Eulenburg was more martyred than Dreyfus even. Not every reader will be so satisfied. What may convince many readers of Eulenburg's innocence will be, not any written record or sworn testimony, but the fact that his crucifixation was exactly the kind of hysterical hideousness to which the whole German Court and Foreign Office were addicted under the Kaiser.

Contempt for Politics.

The story, as told by Dr. Haller in Miss Mayne's masterly translation, is profoundly moving. Eulenburg was a man of culture and sensibility, devoted alike to the arts and to the domesticities. His natural *métier* was never high politics, his settled view of which is summarised in this reflection:—

> A lie, in political life, is no more than a move on the chessboard. A good move, i.e., a good lie, means a *success*. Who is going to score a success in this lying game? *No one.* But all have perjured themselves. The air is positively alive with lies!

At another time he wrote: "Politics are essentially dishonest, and hence immoral." He cared nothing for the "glittering prizes" and distinction of public office. The quiet pursuits of the family estate meant more to him than the distractions of the Kaiser's Court and the conquests of diplomacy. He never was the diplomat *en carrière*. By chance rather than by choice he became the confidant of the Kaiser and a puissant political force. Bülow owed the Imperial Chancellorship to him. The capital value, therefore, of Dr. Haller's two weighty volumes lies not so much in the personal tragedy they unfold as in the insight they give into the mind and manner of pre-war Germany. From that point of view nothing more revealing and devastating has been published.

"An Evil Genius."

Holstein—that strange and sinister man who for so long moulded German foreign policy, and whom Dr. Haller calls the "evil genius" of the piece—once (when they were still friends) described Eulenburg as "the one man who told the truth to William the Second." Telling the truth was indeed one of Eulenburg's distinguishing and most lovable qualities. To him the Kaiser was "the dear Emperor," sometimes the "poor Emperor," and he could write in all sincerity, "It was my part to protect the Emperor"; but his loyalty, far from making him a lick-spittle, inspired him to an astonishing outspokenness. The Kaiser was always the centre of anxiety. Whenever he made a speech there was sure to be some phrase in it to start an outcry either at home or abroad. Whenever there was an office to be filled, there was always the risk of the Kaiser doing the wrong thing. The Kaiser had ever to be watched and alternately to be admonished and admired, flattered and frightened. Eulenburg and his friends sought to influence him one way, Holstein and his friends another way, and the Kaiser's own *aides-de-camp* added further complications to as mad and dangerous a game as was ever played. That war came in 1914 and revolution in 1918 is not surprising. Whether Eulenburg's line was the right one is very much a matter of opinion; of the others he could write in retrospect:—

> I saw the disaster creeping on us like a monstrous beast of prey, and suffered agonies from the obtuseness of German statesmen, diplomats military authorities in every quarter, as also of the Prussian and—their unfortunate Emperor.

PRINCESS LICHNOWSKY.

"On the Leash." By Princess Lichnowsky. (Jonathan Cape. 7s. 6d.)

Lovers of dogs and lovers of London will all love Princess Lichnowsky's little book. She herself loves London—not least because every kind of dog can run free in the Park. For her London is not only beautiful to the eye but soothing to the ear, even although in certain spots the traffic seems to have a temperature of well over 100 deg.

> Like all beautiful things, London has a beautiful name. It sounds like the clang of a gong, like a roll of distant thunder, like a double organ-point. Heard in my fancy, it lures me more than Venice, which has degenerated into a fashionable resort. . . . The Thames is like the Grand Canal only twice as wide

Small wonder that it cut across her heart to part with London as she had to do on that dread day in August, 1914.

A NEW VIEW OF NERO.

"Nero." By Arthur Weigall. (Thornton Butterworth. 21s.)

Reviewed by HENRY MURRAY.

When, a year or two ago, Mr. Arthur Weigall published a bulky—and extremely interesting—volume devoted to the rehabilitation of that unquestionably beautiful and fascinating but much decried lady, Cleopatra, he certainly succeeded in making out a very fair case for his protégée. Whether or not he has been equally successful in the case of Nero is a more dubious question, and one on which students of history will probably find a good deal to say on both sides. That he has produced a book which—whatever may be the verdict on his view of the moral character of its principal figure—is certainly an admirable study of the time in which he lived and of the society in which he moved, bearing on its every page evidences both of profound research and bold, original thought, is a thing which might almost be allowed to go without saying. Those qualities are the invariable hall-marks of Mr. Weigall's historical work. To sum up, in the briefest fashion, Mr. Weigall's elaborately stated reasons for differing from and attempting to change the received idea of Nero as one of the foulest blots upon the page of history, a scarcely human monster of lust and cruelty, and to substitute for that dreadful figure "a human and almost lovable character," would need far more than the space for the moment at command.

A Human Document.

To give detailed reasons for the acceptance or rejection of Mr. Weigall's views would need not only a far more ample space, but also an erudition as remarkable as his own. All that can be said here is that Nero's latest historian has produced a plea for his imperial client so eloquent and so well-supported as to constitute a human and historical document of singular value, such as no student either of history or of character should allow to pass unread, and such as perhaps no other historian now living could have accomplished.

It will certainly be remarked by the judicious reader that, while Mr. Weigall does all in his power to wipe from the figure of Nero many of the darker stains with which former historians, from Tacitus to Renan, have blackened it, he makes no effort to vindicate the memories of Nero's imperial predecessor, Caligula, of his mother Agrippina, or of his contemporary, Messalina. One cannot but ask why, if Nero, born into the same stratum of the same society which produced those prodigies of criminality, subjected to the same horrible temptations of unlimited power which made them what they were, was really so shiningly different from them, he should have been the victim of the same obloquy which hangs about their names. That question will obtrude itself, but it is not one which militates against—indeed, it is rather calculated to enhance—the interest of Mr. Weigall's brilliant study.

"A PARFIT KNIGHT."

"Sir Robert Hudson, a Memoir." By J. A. Spender. (Cassell. 7s. 6d.)

The late Sir Robert Hudson was not an easy man to know, for, as Mr. E. V. Lucas says, he "wore as a kind of armour a cheery, bluff, external cynicism which everyone could not tell concealed quick sympathy and a painstaking kindness. He had to be known." But, when you did know him, you never let go hold of him.

It has not, therefore, been easy for Mr. Spender to write this sketch of him, if only because so much of Sir Robert's work as Liberal organiser had to be done so much behind the scenes. But he has accomplished his task in quite a masterly way, for his memoir is a model, both in point of size and sympathy, of what such a book should be.

Anything less like a "caucus" wire-puller than Sir Robert could scarcely be imagined, for out of his office he was a man of very wide sympathies, and politics had not spoiled or narrowed him in the slightest degree. Thus, though he had so much to do with the "Nonconformist Conscience," he himself was an ardent Churchman in constant and useful contact with Westminster Abbey. When one met him at the Johnson or the Omar Khayyam Club, or in the company of such men as the late Mr. Edward Clodd, who, most fitly, called him "a very parfit gentil knight," one would not have suspected that he was a most ardent political adviser, for he lived life to the full on many planes. The outside world came to know him as the organiser of the Red Cross Fund during the war, for by common assent his masterly organising mind had a great deal to do with the raising of the colossal sum of £16,885,000.

All his work was done so quietly and quickly that it gave the impression to outsiders of being also easily done. But "Robert," as his friends called him, took an immense amount out of himself in the doing of it, and it ultimately wore down his fragile constitution.

BEHIND THE LINES.

"Orderly!" By M. R. Werner. (Cape. 5s.)
"Two Stories." By Richard Aldington. (Elkin Mathews and Marrot. 7s. 6d.)

Reviewed by A. D. GRISTWOOD.

Now that the story of the Line has been told and retold to repletion, it is not at all surprising that the limelight should have shifted to regions hitherto less conspicuous. Former residents of the back areas are treading hard on the footsteps of the P.B.I., and the layman begins to wonder whether the worst of the war did not lie behind the trenches.

Mr. W. R. Werner, well known in the United States for his vigorous biographies of Barnum, Brigham Young, and William Jennings Bryan (a strange triumvirate), was among the earliest of the volunteers who sailed from New York after the American Declaration of War in April, 1917, and his book covers the entire period of his service as a hospital orderly at Etretat on the coast of Normandy. That it should be a scarifying record was only to be expected. Mr. Werner has no use for reticence, and of his style the less said the better, but he yet manages to describe the macabre horrors of the operating theatre and the mortuary with an exact and unemotional objectivity reminiscent of Poe's grim "Facts in the Case of M. Valdemar."

Not that those who look for Yankee humour in a Yankee book will go away disappointed. Particularly acceptable is the story of the American orderly who one day had the honour of carrying on a stretcher a British Major-General. "'Where'll we put this bird,' sang out the tall Texan languidly. . . ." Fortunately the patient remembered that this was a war to make the world safe for democracy.

Pathology and Literature.

The author's insistence upon scenes of physical horror leads one to suspect him of that sin of "exaggeration by suppression" that has ruined so many war stories—until one calls to mind that he is describing a precinct where these things are a daily routine—but not a few passages are concerned with matters rather of pathology than literature. (The vulgar and gratuitous insult to the W.A.A.C. is an absurdity that should be deleted at the earliest opportunity.) Mr. Werner suggests that "all books about the late war are dangerous, for those who participated in terrible things cannot help but give them the romantic glamour of the drama which they possessed"; this, however, is an error into which he at least is in no danger of falling.

In Mr. Richard Aldington's little book we are still behind the line, but now in very different country; the "Two Stories" there presented ache their way into the heart and set the pulses trembling. "Deserter" is perhaps too obviously the work of the author of "Death of a Hero," but in "The Lads of the Village" Mr. Aldington shows us what he can do when he forgets to tilt at windmills and takes no thought of the Puritans. It should be noted that the edition consists of 500 copies "signed and numbered by the author," but it is a question whether even his staunchest admirers will not consider some forty broad-margined pages an inadequate return for their money.

TWO HARVEYS.

"George Harvey, 'a passionate patriot.'" By Willis Fletcher Johnson. (Allen and Unwin. 21s.)

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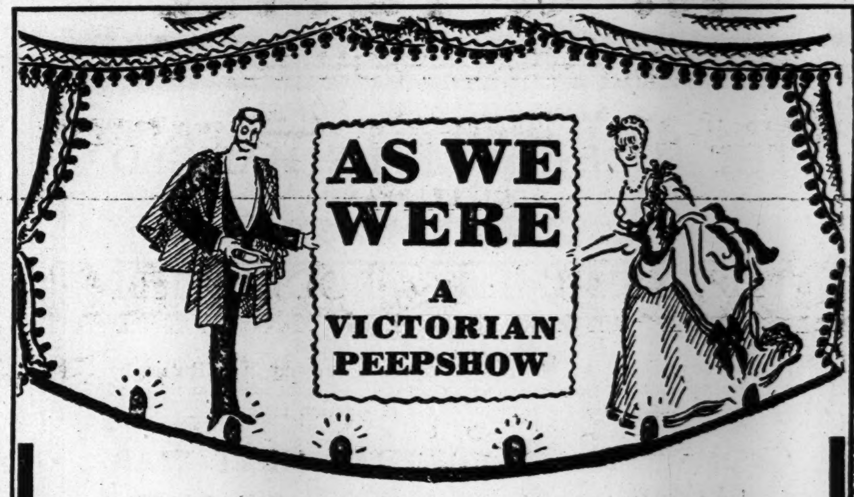

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CLUNY.

"Cluny in the Eleventh and Twelfth Centuries." By L. M. Smith. (Philip Allan. 15s.)

Reviewed by LAURIE MAGNUS.

This is not a very satisfactory book. Doubtless it fills the gaps, or some of the gaps, in the knowledge of experts, but the non-specialist reader, for whom in form and character it seems to be intended, finds it difficult to place. It is neither one thing nor the other: neither a "history of Cluny from the original sources," as Miss Smith describes it in her preface, nor a work of pure research documented at every point. Moreover, there is a further difficulty. Miss Smith published in 1920 "The Early History of the Monastery of Cluny," and she gives us no indication of the relation of this volume to that. She refers occasionally to her former book, notably in a footnote on page 52, in support of her present statements, that "to ascribe Gregory's theocratic principles to the Cluniacs is to misread the whole of their history," and "the theory that Gregory VII. was a monk at Cluny has been discredited." But scholarship by reference (even by reference to oneself) is not finally convincing, and no evidence is here adduced to disprove the commonly accepted view of Gregory's conviction of the truth of the Cluniac doctrines.

The Cluniac Ideal.

The Abbey of Cluny, as Miss Smith remarks, was "one of the most formative forces of early mediævalism." Popes Gregory VII. (Hildebrand) and Urban II., who had certainly been a monk at Cluny, were filled with its "ideals," which give a sub-title to the introduction to this book; and a real history of the Abbey, based on the original sources, which Miss Smith has diligently studied, and sifting them into a connected narrative, would be a valuable addition to English literature of the Middle Ages. It would start at the beginning, and tell us—as Miss Smith never tells us—that the Abbey was founded in 910, when Duke William the Pious of Aquitaine gave the lands and buildings at Cluny, in French Burgundy a mile or two from Macon, to a little colony of monks, who were to present to Europe, in the words of Professor Tout, "an ideal of life very different from feudal militarism. In alliance with the Empire," he continues:—

> the Cluniacs restored religion in Central Europe, and missionaries, working in their spirit, spread the Gospel beyond the bounds of the Empire, among the barbarians of the North and East.

If evidence for these exploits is not found in Miss Smith's "original sources," so much the worse for the sources, or for her use of them: the history of Cluny is incomplete, whether written for students or for experts, which fails to do justice to that record. Cluny's share in the Gregorian reforms may have been, technically, "indirect," as Miss Smith asserts, but, since "she had enormously strengthened the prestige and power of Rome," even indirect means form a part of her contribution to European history.

Historical Contacts.

Then there are her contacts with that history. It was the practice of Cluny, as of ancient Athens, to found colonies in the guise of daughters rather than of sisters. The daughter-houses were settled, not as abbeys, but as priories, in strict dependence on their parent Abbot, who nominated their heads, in whatever country, however distant, the priory might be. It is splendidly true that the reformation of the eleventh century is associated with the monks of Cluny, and that "from her origin she was zealous for monastic reform." But her departure from "feudal militarism," in the way of life which she recommended and exemplified, did not extend to her own constitution; and it has been well said that she translated into terms of monasticism the strict feudal organisation of the age. The Superior of Cluny ruled over an immense number of feudal priors, including about forty in England. There were instances, however, of independent denization. Thus, Reading Abbey was refounded by Henry I. (who is buried there) by Cluniac monks from Lewes, not as a priory but as a new Benedictine abbey. Not far from Cluny lies Le Creusot, and Miss Smith tells us that—

> it has been said that Cluny's peaceful penetration in Europe once carried French influence farther than—in the late war—Le Creusot's famous gun the "soixante quinze."

It is these suggestions of hidden power, so rich in the romance of history, that cause us to find something lacking in Miss Smith's attempted task.

A VAGABOND'S CHRONICLE.

"Two Years." By Liam O'Flaherty. (Cape. 7s. 6d.)

The mere duration of life is measured by the movement of a finger over the surface of a dial, its value by the variety and intensity of the emotions experienced by him who lives. And by that criterion Mr. Liam O'Flaherty has lived more than many centenarians. From the moment when, on the racecourse of Baldoyle, he plunged with his one five-pound note—the residue of his exchequer was twopence—on a horse of the appropriate name of Golden Fleece, and drew twenty pounds from a reluctant bookmaker, to the moment, some two years later, when he returned to his native land after a zig-zag course over most of the habitable globe, he piled adventure on adventure, living for the moment, with as utter a carelessness for everything but the passing whim he obeyed as if—

> the flesh which walled about his life
> Were brass impregnable.

The old adage that the style is the man was never better exemplified than by Mr. O'Flaherty. Violent, abrupt, often outspoken beyond the verge of literary decency, full of life and colour, this book is one of the most interesting chronicles of vagabondage in all literature.

JOHN WANAMAKER.

"The Business Biography of John Wanamaker." By Joseph H. Appel. (Macmillan. 21s.)

"New York," says Mr. Appel, "was a city of less than 300,000 inhabitants when John Wanamaker was born. Philadelphia had less than 200,000; Chicago was a mushroom village in the wilderness on the outskirts of civilisation." These cities and the business founded by John Wanamaker grew together, and the last is, in a human way of speaking, as remarkable a development as the former ones. The history of a great commercial or financial concern, like the Fuggers of the sixteenth century, the Rothschilds of a later date, and the enormous business founded by the subject of this memoir, is always a good theme for spirited narrative. John Wanamaker had business genius, colossal commercial courage, and a fair share of the favours of fortune, especially in the way of offspring who inherited his gifts and have worthily continued his work. Mr. Appel's account of the rise and continuation of the great firm is as interesting as any specimen of the class of book to which it belongs.

"LA REINE MARGOT."

"The Madcap Queen." Translated from the French of Paul Rival by Marvin McCord Lowes. (Putnam. 15s.)

Depth below depth of treacherous intrigue; adultery the merest incident, open and unashamed; murder by dagger or poison a daily event scarce worthy of notice; sanguinary street brawls at every corner, culminating in the devil's sabbath of St. Bartholomew—such was the Paris of the later Valois kings. Among the scores of figures which throng the pages of M. Rival's book, there is not one it is possible to contemplate with any sentiment approaching to affection or respect. Human nature approached scarcely nearer to its bottom depths at the courts of Nero or Heliogabalus than in the Louvre of Catherine de Medici and her sons. It needed all the literary genius of Alexandre Dumas, and all the gay impudence with which he handled history, to invest Marguerite of Navarre with any sort of charm which could appeal to a civilised reader. In M. Rival's cruelly truthful story she is simply the least hateful of the diabolical crew she moves among.

DISCIPLINE AND INDISCIPLINE.

"Bligh of the Bounty." By Geoffrey Rawson. (Philip Allan and Co. 10s. 6d.)

"Blenden Hall." By J. G. Lockhart. (Philip Allan and Co. 10s. 6d.)

Reviewed by COMDR. A. T. STEWART, R.N.

Each of the two books of the sea under review affords striking examples of the inestimable quality of discipline. In the story of William Bligh's career we see the stern disciplinarian emerging triumphantly from situations that would have obliterated lesser men. In the narrative of the wreck of the Blenden Hall, the survivors exist in misery and chaos for lack of a leader to hold them in the bonds of discipline.

Fate ordained that Bligh should figure in remarkable events, the victim of circumstances in which, though right was on his side, appearances seemed against him. A fine seaman, skilled hydrographer and intrepid fighter, he lacked tact and made enemies easily. Chance flung him into contact with two unusual characters: Fletcher Christian, instigator of the Bounty mutiny, and John MacArthur, pioneer sheepbreeder of New South Wales. Both these men surprised him off his guard, and threw over the pedestal of authority that inspired his dealings with others. Bligh made the mistake of implicitly believing that those around him feared the consequences of defying constituted authority.

Bligh's Achievements.

Whatever faults of character he may have had, his achievements were many. He was trusted by Cook; in the Providence he accomplished the mission of the Bounty; he fought with credit under Parker at the Dogger Bank; with Howe at Gibraltar; with Duncan at Camperdown; and was thanked by Nelson on the quarterdeck of the Elephant at Copenhagen. Yet more outstanding was his boat voyage in the Bounty's launch, 3,618 miles, still an enduring record.

Mr. Rawson has written a clever study of an interesting personality, admittedly one that is difficult to analyse. He wavers at times between praise and condemnation. He errs seriously in regard to his statement of the interval of time between the Bounty's arrival at Pitcairn Island and the visit of the Topaz. Also it cannot be said that carronades were "new-fangled" in 1801, and Flodden was not a battle of the '45.

The Blenden Hall.

The casting away of the Blenden Hall, East Indiaman, on Inaccessible Island in 1821, is a negation of the pleasant fiction at times constructed around desert islands. It is a truly strange story in which the sufferers should deserve sympathy but only earn our contempt. Mr. Lockhart bases this account on the journal of the captain's son. Its author had little of credit to record concerning his cantankerous, quarrelsome fellow-passengers and the mutinous crew. Brought to the verge of starvation by lack of exertion, with officers incompetent either to lead or drive, they passed over three months before constructing a boat able to bring help from Tristan da Cunha, only twenty miles away. Discipline was absent, likewise fortitude. Their sorry chronicle serves as a reminder that the transition from civilised conduct to savagery is but a step. When leaders are devoid of determination, chaos results. Mr. Lockhart succeeds in imparting much interest to the gossiping record of the original.

THE SURPRISING SEX.

"Women-at-Arms." By Reginald Hargreaves. (Hutchinson. 12s. 6d.)

"Dominant Women." By Philip W. Sergeant. (Hutchinson. 18s.)

"The only things of perennial value to the world are vegetables and men. But to obtain vegetables you must have manure; and without women there would be no men. And there the trouble starts." So it does; for without women Mr. Hargreaves, who begins his preface with this delicate agricultural analogy, would have lacked the subject for his book. Mr. Hargreaves is concerned with the Amazons of Great Britain, Ireland, and America who, since the seventeenth century, have preferred the cutlass to the needle and the battlefield to the kitchen. He writes about "Mother Ross," who, as a trooper of the Scots Greys, served under Marlborough and "passed scathless through the battle of Blenheim"; of Mary Read and Anne Bonney, the women pirates; of Hannah Snell, who enlisted and suffered 500 lashes without disclosing her sex; of Moll Cutpurse, the highwaywoman who held up Fairfax the Roundhead; of Dr. James Barry, who fought a duel. Their stories are told with the gusto and the rich vulgarity of style which the opening sentence promises.

Mr. Philip Sergeant deals with women who dominated without necessarily taking up arms. Cleopatra, Zenobia Queen of Palmyra, Theodora of Byzantium, who began as a circus girl and ended as wife of an Emperor, Queen Elizabeth, Mary Queen of Scots, Catherine II.—these are among the heroines of his book. He has a chapter on "the beastly brace" of Charles II., the Duchess of Cleveland and the Duchess of Portsmouth, and another on the redoubtable Sarah, Marlborough's Duchess, who ruled Queen Anne; and a final section deals with Tze-hi, Empress Dowager of China. There is nothing particularly new in the book, but it will be interesting to those who like their information in spiced and concentrated form.

A GREAT ASCETIC.

"The Thundering Abbot." Translated from the French of Henri Bremond. By F. J. Sheed. (Sheed and Ward. 7s. 6d.)

Oscar Wilde remarked that, out of the disciples of any remarkable man, it is generally Judas who is selected as the writer of his biography. Biographies written by contemporaries of their subjects are often distinguished by a certain causticity, and indeed, if they are not merely exercises in the art of indiscriminating and unprofitable eulogy, are certain, more or less, to "give away" the great man they celebrate. But it is not often that a writer of the rank of the Abbé Bremond selects for scarification a remarkable man who has been in his grave for something like two centuries, and of whom the world knows and thinks so little as it knows and thinks of Armand de Rancé, the reformer of La Trappe. When experts in theology or Church discipline differ they are apt to differ very thoroughly, and the Abbé Bremond, while recognising the extraordinary powers of intellect and character displayed by de Rancé, holds that as a reformer he was pretty generally wrong, and as a founder was below the level of his own foundation. He has produced a very remarkable historical study of a remarkable man, of which Mr. F. J. Sheed has accomplished an excellent translation.

THE SPOILING OF KOREA.

"Korea of the Japanese." By H. B. Drake. (Bodley Head. 12s. 6d.)

That admirable writer of fiction Mr. H. B. Drake has, in "Korea of the Japanese," produced a book of fact which is at once extremely charming and very saddening. It is the outcome of a two-years' acquaintance with a beautiful country and its people, a people of dreamers, as bereft of the spirit of practicality, as incapable of directing their own destinies in such a world as this as a nursery of children. They have fallen under the domination of Japan as, had things gone otherwise, they might have passed under the hand of Russia or China. And Japan, although her rule would not seem generally unkindly, would seem to be a singularly bad guardian for such a people. She is inoculating them with Occidental ideas at second-hand, and her system of education is producing hordes of young people puffed up with a vain conceit of knowledge and all hungering to be authors, professors, and Government officials. "Korea," says Mr. Drake, "is a country of farmers.

> Why bother them with our Western learning, so fruitful of unsettlement, so ill-adapted to their needs. It might even be better to return to the little village school with the half-dozen scholars crying out their characters at the full stretch of their lungs beneath the vigilant, grave eyes of their master. It is all very sad, because the intention behind it is so excellent.

ANCIENT LAW.

"Maine's Ancient Law." By Sir Frederick Pollock. (Murray. 10s. 6d.)

Reviewed by ALFRED FELLOWS.

No student of the history or theory of law needs to be told of the value of Sir Henry Maine's "Ancient Law; its connection with the early history of society, and its relation to modern ideas," first issued nearly seventy years ago. There have been many subsequent editions, and those since 1906 have been annotated by Sir Frederick Pollock. In the latest Sir Frederick states in his introduction that he has recast his note on the Patriarchal Theory, much of it having become obsolete or superfluous, and that on Archaic Procedure is enriched by the results of a recent ingenious study in Homeric scholarship. In his first introduction, in 1906, he wrote: "The wonder is, not that Maine's results, after more than a generation, should stand in need of some correction, but that, in fact, they need so little as they do." In those days, he now writes, "Maine's work had been under a passing shadow of depreciation." As a contrast, the new edition of the Encyclopædia Britannica thus prefaces its article on Jurisprudence: "At the head of English Jurisprudence stands Sir Henry Maine."

Sir Henry originally ranged from Homer onwards. But in his preface to his tenth edition, published in 1884, he reproduces the suggestion that he had not done justice to "states of society still more rudimentary than that vividly described in the Homeric lines quoted at p. 110." These lines will be found at p. 141 of the present edition, translated, except for the keyword "θέμιστες" ("Themistes"), explained pp. 3 and 5. It is certainly possible to receive a classical education and yet be ignorant that the word νόμοι (law) cannot be found in Homer.

Cycle of Law.

Sir Henry's cycle of law begins with the inspired judgment of king, ruler, or priest, to be followed when, for example, Rehoboam succeeds Solomon, by judgments of a council laying down the unwritten custom. Sooner or later, there then comes the demand for, and the supply of, the written law, as the Twelve Tables; to be followed, when its rigidity obviously works injustice, by glosses or legal fictions, whereby it is really evaded, though outwardly respected. Next comes something in the nature of Equity, the written law being modified by considerations founded on the first principles of justice; and then, finally, statute law, strictly binding the Courts until repealed, but admittedly capable of amendment or repeal. There is no reversion in this process, he observes, though the stages are sometimes materially shortened.

The chapters on the influence of the "jus gentium" and the "Law of Nature" on the general body of law are important ones, and the foundations of the present theory and practice of international law are traced. In seeking illustrations for his views the author ranges from India in the east to Virginia in the west; but his main thesis is ever Roman law. There are also chapters on the early history of property and the ancient and modern ideas respecting wills. Sir Frederick's note has reference to the curious survival in Scotland of the ancient form of will as a gift inter vivos, reserving a life interest.

The scarlet binding seems somewhat too gay for the subject, but the serious student of law will not be deterred by it from his study of a valuable work.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF PARIS.

"The Paris Gun." By Henry W. Miller. (Harrap. 10s. 6d.)

This volume, the work of Lieutenant-Colonel Miller, of the United States Ordnance Department, is certainly among the most interesting contributions to the history of the Great War which have as yet seen the light, dealing as it does with which was at the time of its occurrence, and has remained until the present moment, the insoluble problem of the bombardment of Paris from the "impossible" distance of seventy-five miles. The secret of this military miracle was admirably kept. When the great retreat began the guns were rushed back over the frontier. All written descriptions of their design and construction were carefully concealed, and it was declared high treason, punishable with death, to reveal any detail concerning them. The demand of the Allies that one of the guns should be delivered, together with full information concerning its design and use, was never fulfilled and the weapons themselves were totally destroyed. It has taken Colonel Miller ten years of persistent work, hard research, and painstaking study, to piece together the story he tells with so admirable a mixture of scientific induction and artistic effectiveness.

TOWARDS THE POLE.

"A Scandinavian Summer." By Harry A. Franck. (Methuen. 12s. 6d.)

That tireless traveller and delightful writer Mr. Harry Franck, having, for his own pleasure and the delight of his large body of readers, stationed himself in various parts of the tropical and sub-tropical belts of the planet, suddenly conceived the idea that there might be something worth seeing and describing in its more northerly regions, and set out for Scandinavia. He uses the word in its fullest sense, for the area of his travels covered not merely Denmark, Sweden, and Norway, but also Finland and Iceland. His book, charmingly written and copiously and beautifully illustrated, is less rich in merely human interest than his previous records of travel, for the Scandinavian, in all his haunts, is vastly more difficult to "get at" in the sympathetic sense than the denizen of warmer climes. "There is no Southern ebullition," says Mr. Franck, "except in a slight degree among the Swedes . . . the Norseman of to-day is reticent to the point of taciturnity." All the same, "A Scandinavian Summer" is so delightfully written, and includes so many beautiful reproductions by pen and camera of so many superb "bits" of scenery and architecture, that no lover of travel should allow himself to miss it.

CYPRUS.

"The Handbook of Cyprus." Edited by Sir Ronald Storrs, K.C.M.G., Governor of Cyprus, and Bryan Justin O'Brien. (Christophers. 7s. 6d.)

Cyprus, since 1925 a British colony, was fifty years ago an unweeded garden. The present Governor is able to assure us that the administration has made great steps in its development, and that, unless anything unforeseen should "fright the isle," its future and increased prosperity may be confidently predicted. Its soil is both fertile and rich in minerals. "Considering its beauty, climate, historic interest, and the charming courtesy of its peasantry," writes Sir Ronald, "there is no country in the Near East less visited or more worth visiting than Cyprus." He gives an attractive account of Troödos, a hill-station 5,500 ft. above sea level and summer seat of the government. Much information is added that is likely to be of use to visitors, and the history, geology, natural resources, and administrative system of the island are fully handled.

TRAVELS IN NORMANDY.

"Travels in Normandy." By Roy Elston. (Bell. 7s. 6d.)

Whether for itself, for the revival of memories, or as an incentive to acquire them, this book deserves to be read. The author combines a Stevensonian taste for vagabondage with an expert's knowledge of architecture and a ready sympathy with humble lives in town and country. Add a fondness for history and legend and you get an ideal interpreter of such a land as Normandy, with its cathedrals and its ruined abbeys, its independent peasantry, and its restful scenery which yet has witnessed so much that was stirring in past ages. We do not quarrel with Mr. Elston for making us partakers of the various moods induced by the scenes and objects he encountered.

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TABOO OR NOT TABOO?

"It Isn't Done: or, the Future of Taboo Among the British Islanders." By Archibald Lyall. (Kegan Paul. 2s. 6d.)

Reviewed by GERALD BARRY.

Taboo or not taboo? That is the question. Whether 'tis better in the mind to suffer the slings and arrows of outrageous convention, or to take arms against a sea of colonels, and, by opposing, earn for oneself the label "Bloomsbury," and be ostracised from Budleigh Salterton. That, I take it, is the essence of the problem propounded by Mr. Archibald Lyall in his lively addition to the "To-day and To-morrow" series. Taboo he defines as "an unwritten regulation which governs the conduct of daily life, and for the breach of which the penalty is unwritten, ill-defined, but almost always of a social character." The difference between taboo and good manners and between taboo and superstition is not clearly marked. Mr. Lyall offers certain badges of distinction, but the border line remains ill-defined.

To say that anything to which that quaint species the "ordinary Englishman" will react with the remark: "My dear fellow, it isn't done," is a genuine taboo is not really to settle the question. Spitting in the drawing-room, for example, or cutting one's finger-nails at the dinner table "isn't done," yet these, surely, are not instances of taboo but purely a matter of manners. The difficulty is enhanced because many things come under both headings, and we are left with the suspicion that a good deal of the fashionable reaction against convention is false.

Excesses of Prudery.

Mr. Lyall might, perhaps, have made more of the amusing idea of treating the British islanders as a primitive society, and examining their customs with the detached interest of the anthropologist. There was room for rich satire here. The worst excesses of Victorian prudery call for loud laughter. Mr. Lyall has some fun at the expense of the modest miss who would blush if offered the breast of a chicken; and he tells a story, new to me, of an American nineteenth-century book of etiquette that advised the placing of volumes by male and female authors on separate shelves! That alone, as the advertisements say, is worth the modest price of the book.

This is an extreme instance of the Body Taboo, of which Mr. Lyall has much that is entertaining to say. The essence of his crusade is against all that is implied in Ranjitsinhji's recent dictum that "cricket is more than a game; it is a manner of living." That will echo down the halls of Budleigh Salterton amid applause, but in the upper parts of Bloomsbury amid derision. But he is fair, and sees that the reaction against taboo which leads to anti-taboo is quite as rigid and tyrannical as the taboo itself; leading to the eccentric for eccentricity's sake, and to the inverted young Pharisee who smites his breast and thanks God he is not as good as other men are (though he probably is).

Taboo and Good Manners.

Though the title and the series imply some attention to the future, Mr. Lyall has little to offer by way of prophecy, except to suggest that the "body" taboo, now on the wane, will disappear. He sees the country vicarage finally emancipated and boarding-house manners broadening down from resident to resident. This implies a gallant belief in Progress with a capital P. I was recently present at a dinner party at which the guests solemnly and unanimously agreed that monogamy was dead, and that a couple of generations, at most, would see the final disappearance of marriage. The courage, the assurance! Who says this is not an Age of Faith? Such people, like the author of this book, seem not to have discerned the first rustle of the Victorian Revival, nor to have heard a hint of the puritan reaction that is already hurrying near.

I agree that much that is or was taboo among the English upper- and middle-classes (Mr. Lyall mostly confines himself to these) is fantastic and ridiculous, and is at present demoded. But how much of it is Fashion, or Taste? The people who don't use certain words that Mr. Lyall says are taboo don't use them for the simple reason that they don't want to use them. If he had treated the matter of State and authoritarian taboos he would have struck a richer vein. As it is, he has still to define the boundary between taboo and good manners.

It is a matter of Majority Rule. Civilisation puts certain restraints on the individual for the sake of society. If he shoots his neighbour he dies or is put away; similarly if he offends him socially, he is put away; that is the rule society makes, and if he doesn't fit in he stays out. Often the rules are arbitrary, irritating and silly, but does that very much matter? I am by no means on the side of the big battalions in this argument, but their habits seem to me more a subject for laughter than for tears.

AT LARGE.

"Traveller's Luck. Essays and Fantasies." By E. V. Lucas. (Methuen. 6s.)

That blend of travel, information, and reflection which characterises one branch of Mr. Lucas's later writing is exemplified, as vivaciously as ever, in his new volume of essays. Readers of the SUNDAY TIMES, where many of these papers have appeared, do not need to be told of his appreciation of old churches and of ancient records, of his ability to make the history of famous families, such as that of Bolingbroke, live anew, and of his proneness to cross the Channel and find fresh pasture in the fields of France. He is apt, moreover, to unearth treasure-trove from what may be called the middle distance. Thus he tracks to the authorship of the late Percy French that rollicking ditty, "The Sons of the Prophet," whose mention will transport many readers to earlier surroundings, and, to the tinkling of a ghostly banjo, set their feet beating time in sympathy with its joyous accompaniment.

For all his love of banter, Mr. Lucas is occasionally serious. He pays a fine tribute to Alfred Gilbert's bronze saints on the Duke of Clarence's tomb at Windsor, particularly to the statuette of St. George, with its "sweet, earnest face and delicate hands," which moves him to this excellent suggestion:—

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In the meanwhile, its reproduction as frontispiece amply justifies Mr. Lucas's commendation, and enhances the value of his book.

DARWIN'S GRANDFATHER.

"Doctor Darwin." By Hesketh Pearson. (Dent. 10s. 6d.)

If ever a man was the product of his ancestors it was Charles Darwin. His Galton kinsmen did much to elucidate his lines of descent, and Mr. Hesketh Pearson would have improved his book by giving more hints of those. His book, which is the first full-length biography of the doctor, is valuable for its references to his Commonplace Book. Mr. Pearson has an immense admiration for Erasmus Darwin, who is his own ancestor:—

> There is hardly an idea and hardly an invention in the world to-day that he did not father or foresee, from the philosophy of Mr. Bernard Shaw to the phonograph of Mr. Thomas Edison, from eugenics and evolution to aeroplanes and submarines from psycho-analysis to antiseptics.

The intense intellectual inquisitiveness and energy of Darwin are absolutely infective, for nothing seemed out of his range, not even the writing of poetry, though perhaps nobody reads his "Botanic Garden" to-day. Thus, it was he who made a shrewd guess concerning the composition of water, which first put his friend, James Watt, on the track of his great discovery. He even thought the winds might be governed by human energy, and suggested a method whereby man could improve the climatic conditions of his planet. In short, Erasmus Darwin was the Admirable Crichton of his day, and lends lustre to Lichfield, where he lived for twenty-five years, which the other great doctor cannot surpass.

BOOKS & WRITERS.

A SELECTION FOR THE LIBRARY

AS WE WERE: A VICTORIAN PEEP-SHOW.
By E. F. Benson. (Longmans, Green. 18s.)

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GEORGE ELIOT.
By J. Lewis May. (John Lane. 15s.)

THE JESTING ARMY.
By Ernest Raymond. (Cassell. 7s. 6d.)

It is good news to hear that Mr. Kipling has got a new book on hand, which is called "Thy Servant a Dog." It contains two stories that have only recently appeared in magazine form. The third, called "Toby Dog," is published for the first time. Macmillans will have it ready next month.

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This is to be a great season for biographies. The next week or two will bring us lives of famous people, ranging from Boccaccio, which Mr. T. C. Chubb has done for Cassell, to Lord Balfour, whose "Chapters of Autobiography" will be issued by the same house. Mr. Churchill's "My Early Years" will be published a month hence by Mr. Thornton Butterworth.

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Theatre folk also figure in the list. Most important of all is Mr. Gordon Craig's "Henry Irving," which Dent is to publish. Mr. Fred Kerr has chosen the curious title, "Recollections of a Defective Memory," for his book, which will be published by Mr. Thornton Butterworth. Mr. Robert Courtneidge will tell his story in a Hutchinson book under the title, "I Was An Actor Once."

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Perhaps it is Lord Ponsonby's enthusiasm that we have to thank for the discovery and publication of interesting old diaries. That of the first Lord Cowley will be followed this week from the Bodley Head, by "The Diaries of the Hon. Robert Fulke Greville," who was the second cousin of the notorious Charles Greville. They cover the years 1781-1797, a very critical period in our national history.

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Two important studies on economics are coming from Longmans in the shape of the Hammonds' "Age of the Chartists," which they sub-title, "A Study of Discontent." An even more serious problem is dealt with by Sir William Beveridge, Director of the London School of Economics, in the new edition of his book, "Unemployment," which reviews the situation between 1909 and 1930.

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While a great number of new books are coming out I cannot remember a time when old ones were being republished in a more beautiful and in a cheaper form that at present. Cassell has just given us "The Outline of History" at 8s. 6d. Mr. Gollancz has published six plays, including the charming "Green Pastures," at 7s. 6d. Then we have got the Bodley Head Week-End Library at 3s. 6d., in which "The Golden Age" has appeared, and Mr. Cape has started an admirable "Life and Letters Series," at 4s. 6d. The first four volumes include Mr. Percy Lubbock's delightful "Earlham," and Paul de Kruif's "Microbe Hunters." In all these cases the format of the book is perfect.

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Among the most interesting new reprints are the Bodley Head edition of "Tom Jones," illustrated by Mr. Spencer Pryse, and Butcher and Lang's admirable "Odyssey," which Mr. Russell Flint has illustrated for the Medici Society, which is also issuing the "Canterbury Tales," retold in prose, by Miss Eleanor Farjeon.

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Sir Bernard Spilsbury, the public pathologist, recently objected to a book to be published called "Sir Bernard Spilsbury and His Famous Trials," by W. and L. Townsend, the two brothers who made a hit with their biography of the Prince of Wales. Their publisher, Mr. Marriott, however, has got over the difficulty by issuing a book called "Black Cap: Murder Will Out," which appears on Thursday.

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The immense popular interest in architecture will be gratified by a Batsford book on "Representative British Architects of the Present Day," by Professor C. H. Reilly, who discusses the work of Sir Reginald Blomfield, Sir Edwin Lutyens, Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, and other notable architects.

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This week will bring us a novel London book called "London Promenade," by Mr. W. Gaunt, of the *Studio.* Mr. Gaunt, who is an M.A. of Oxford, is not only a writer but an artist, and he gives about a hundred drawings in colour, monotone, and line, wittily depicting scenes of high and low life in London from East to West.

J. M. B.

PEN NAMES.

"Pen Names and Personalities." By Annie Russell Marble. (Appleton. 10s. 6d.)

So deep-rooted in human nature is the desire to dress up that many people even dress up their names. The adoption of a literary pseudonym may, of course, be the result of political or family prudence: it may be a means to publicity, since not everybody has a best-selling name. But whatever the reason, the reader is always curious to know the real name behind the pseudonyms, and Mrs. Marble's book should receive a good deal of attention.

Not that the pen name is always easily recognised as a fake. How many people for instance, know that "Henry Seton Merriman" was really Hugh Stowell Scott, who took his pen-name "to avoid family disapproval"? Or that "J. J. Conington" is Alfred Walter Stewart, professor of chemistry in Belfast? Or that "F. Anstey" is really Thomas Anstey Guthrie? There are many surprises in Mrs. Marble's book. It is not, however, concerned merely with disclosing identities. Mrs. Marble has sections on the personalities once veiled by such pseudonyms as "Boz" and "Elia," "Mark Twain" and "Lewis Carroll," "Fiona Macleod" and "George Sand." Perhaps she is too much inclined to mix literary criticism and the study of pseudonyms; many readers will feel they could dispense with superficial discussions of the work of Dickens or Thackeray or "George Eliot." But the subject of pseudonymity has a curious fascination, and Mrs. Marble's researches have value. In a book so obviously calling for accuracy, however, she ought not to nave given "Lawrence H. Dawson" as D. H. Lawrence's pseudonym. It was as "Lawrence H. Davison" that he wrote his "Movements in European History."

RELIGION AND RELIGIONS.

"The Story of Religion as Told in the Lives of its Leaders." By Charles Francis Potter. (Harrap. 12s. 6d.)

Perhaps no better means of indicating at once the scope, the object, and the tone of this deeply thoughtful and admirably written study of religious history could be found than the citation of two brief sentences from its preface:—

> Religion is the endeavour of divided and incomplete human personality to attain unity and completion, usually, but not necessarily, by seeking the help of an ideally complete divine person or persons.
>
> Religions are systems of belief and practice which arise among the disciples of some man who has attained a satisfying measure of success in his endeavours to unify and complete his personality.

Mr. Potter has produced a notable book, certain to take more than respectable rank in the department of literature to which it belongs. He writes with an admirable mixture of courage and reverence, he recognises not merely the inevitability, but the beauty and passing utility of many forms of religion now dead or obsolescent, and fearlessly, but with decent reverence, criticises many beliefs still current.

TO-DAY'S EVENTS.

THE CHURCHES.

St. Paul's Cathedral.—10.30: Right Rev. Bishop Linton. 3.15: Ven. the Archdeacon of London. 7: Bishop of Jamaica.

Westminster Abbey.—10.15: Bishop of Uganda. 3: Rev. C. S. Woodward, M.C., M.A., Canon-in-Residence; 6.30: Bishop of Chelmsford.

Southwark Cathedral.—11 and 6.30: Rev. Canon Haldane, M.A., Precentor, Canon-in-Residence.

Royal Military Chapel, Wellington Barracks.—11: Rev. O. Egerton Chadwick, C.F. 6.30: Rev. R. J. Northcott, C.F.

Military Chapel, Chelsea Barracks.—11: Parade Service; Rev. R. J. Northcott.

Tower of London, Royal Chapel of St. Peter ad Vincula.—11: Parade Service; Rev. H. G. Williamson, C.F.

St. Dunstan's-in-the-West, Fleet St.—11 and 6.30: Dr. A. J. Macdonald.

St. Peter's, Piccadilly Circus (Great Windmill St.).—11.15 and 6.30: Rev. Clarence May.

St. James's, Piccadilly.—11 and 6.15: Rev. A. Linzee Giles.

All Saints', Margaret Street.—11: Rev. K. O'Ferrall. 6: Rev. J. L. Shaw.

St. Clement Danes, Strand.—11 and 6.30: Rev. W. Kingston, M.A.

St. George, Hanover Square.—11: Rev. Prebendary Thicknesse. 6.30: Rev. A. V. Dixon.

Holy Trinity, Sloane Street.—11.15: Rev. C. Sampson. 6.30: Rev. C. Cheshire.

St. Martin-in-the-Fields.—11.30: Morning Service. 11.30 (in the Crypt): Service for Young People. 6.15: Evening Service. Archbishop of Melbourne. 8: Service to be broadcast.

St. Michael's, Chester Square.—11 and 6.30: Rev. J. M. Jeakes.

St. Peter-Upon-Cornhill.—11 and 6.30: Rev. J. A. Smith Bullock.

Holy Trinity, Kingsway, W.C.2.—11: Rev. W. H. S. Dumphreys. 6.30: Rev. Dr. W. Stuart Macgowan.

Holy Trinity, St. Marylebone.—11 and 6.30: Rev. G. F. Saywell. 8.15 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.: Holy Communion.

St. Margaret's, Westminster.—11: Rev. Norman Peacock; 7: Rev. Eustace Jervis.

St. Anne's, Soho.—11.30 and 6.30: Rev. B. G. Bourchier.

All Hallows, Barking by the Tower.—11: Rev. Stanley Clapham; 6.30: Rev. H. C. Money.

St. Nicholas Cole Abbey.—11 and 7: Rev. A. McCheane, M.A.

St. Marylebone Parish Church.—11: Rev. A. R. Fowler; 7: Rev. H. Burne.

Christ Church, St. Marylebone (Cosway Street).—11: Rev. W. A. Potter; 3.15: Rev. T. G. Brierley Kay; 6.30: A. Sydney Watson, M.A., F.R.G.S., on "Almsgiving."

St. John's, Regent Park.—11: Rev. T. G. Brierley Kay; 6.30: Musical Service.

Brompton Parish Church, South Kensington.—11: Rev. F. Ll. Hughes; 6.30: Rev. H. S. Sard.

Holy Trinity Paddington.—11 and 6: Canon F. W. Mervyn.

St. Mark's, North Audley Street.—11: Rev. B. G. Chandler; 6.30 Rev. H. E. Whittington.

All Saint's, Ennismore Gardens.—11: Rev. Dr. Maurice Relton; 6.30: Rev A. M. Littlehales.

Westminster Cathedral.—10.30: High Mass; 12: Low Mass and Sermon, Rev. Gilbert Higgins, C.R.L.; 3.15: Vespers and Benediction. 7: Rev. R. Cumings.

The Oratory, S.W.—10.45: High Mass. 3.30: Vespers and Benediction.

Church of the Jesuit Fathers, Farm Street, Berkeley Square, W.1.—12: Rev. F. Woodlock, S.J.

Scottish National Church Russell Street, Covent Garden, W.C.—11.15 and 6.30: Rev. Joseph Moffett, M.A.

St. Columba's (Church of Scotland), Pont Street, S.W.—11 and 6.30: Rev. Dr. G. Gordon Stott.

Regent Square Presbyterian Church, W.C.—11 and 7: Rev. George H. Gibb, B.A.

St. John's Presbyterian Church, Allen Street, Kensington.—11 and 6.30: Rev. W. D. Maxwell, Ph.D.

Kew Parish Church.—11: Rev. S. H. Biddlecombe; 6.30: Rev. Fletcher.

St. John's Wood Presbyterian Church, Marlborough Place, N.W.—11 and 6.30: Rev. Dr. Alexander.

City Temple, Holborn Viaduct.—11 and 7: Rev. F. W. Norwood, D.D.

Westminster Congregational Church, Buckingham Gate, S.W.—11 and 7: Rev. Ernest Dowsett, A.T.S.

Christ Church, Westminster Bridge Road.—11 and 7: Rev. E. W. Mills (of Torquay); 3.15: Brotherhood Meeting; Mr. E. Henson; Soloist, Miss Marjorie M. Atkins.

Paddington Chapel, Marylebone Road.—At 11 and 7: Rev. James Cregan.

Kensington Chapel, Allen Street.—11 and 6.30: Rev. J. Ernest James, B.D.

Brixton Independent Church, Brixton Road, S.W.—11 and 6.45: Dr. Bertram Lee Woolf, Ph.D., M.A., B.Sc., B.D.

Central Hall, Westminster.—11 and 7: Rev. Dinsdale T. Young, D.D.; Evening Subject: "John Wesley's Journals—A Study in Practical Religion; 12: John Wesley as a Believer." At the organ, Mr. Arthur Meale, F.R.C.O.; 3.30: Rev. A. E. Binks.

West London Mission, Kingsway Hall.—11 and 7: Rev. Ira G. Goldhawk; 6.30: Recital by Mr. Allan Brown, F.R.C.O.; Vocalist, Miss Blanche Allen; 3.30: Kingsway Fellowship, Open Mtg.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Prince Arthur Road, Hampstead (three mins. from Hampstead Tube).—11: Rev. Arthur Phillips; 6.30: Rev. William Proctor.

Wesley's Chapel, City Road, E.C.—11 and 6.30: Rev. J. E. Parsons (New Zealand).

Spurgeon's Tabernacle, Newington Butts, S.E.—11 and 6.30: Rev. H. T. Chilvers.

Guildhouse, Eccleston Square, S.W.1.—6.30: Rev. Malcoln Spencer, M.A.

Marylebone Presbyterian Church.—11 and 7: Rev. J. Golder Burns, B.D.

St. Ethelburga the Virgin, Bishopsgate, E.C.—11 and 6.30: Rev. Dr. Geikie-Cobb.

Spiritualist Community, Grotrian Hall, 115, Wigmore Street, W.—11: Mr. Percy Scholey; Clairvoyant, Mr. Glover Botham; 6.30: Miss Stead; Clairvoyant, Miss Francis Campbell.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

TO-DAY.

Gentlemen Cadets of Royal Military College, Sandhurst, parade with members of British Legion; inspection by Maj.-Gen E. S. Birdwood, 10.15.

TO-MORROW.

National Federation of Professional Workers—Annual International Congress, Caxton Hall (until September 19.)

TUESDAY.

World Agricultural Tractor Trials, Ardington, near Wantage (until September 19).

City of London Conservative Association (The 1912 Club), Mr. Peter Bathurst: "Empire Free Trade v. Empire Freer Trade," 36, Bucklersbury, Cheapside, 8.

Sir George Broadbridge admitted to office as Alderman of Candlewick Ward, Guildhall, 1.

Rothamsted Experimental Station.—Conference on Soil Scienc Problems and Visit of Empire Agricultural Officers (until September 18).

WEDNESDAY.

Princess Mary inaugurates Corporation Housing Scheme, Edinburgh, and receives Freedom of the City.

Viscount Burnham opens Building Exhibition, Olympia.

Agricultural Shows at Altrincham, Blandford, Wimborne, and Chertsey.

THURSDAY.

Northern Meeting Games, Inverness (two days).

"Not Forgotten" Association.—Tea Party for Disabled Ex-Service Men in Grounds of Buckingham Palace.

The Royal Society of Arts hands over Arlington Row, Bibury, to the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archæological Trust, 3.30.

National Conference of Friendly Societies, Blackpool (two days).

Agricultural Shows at Oswestry, Ipswich, and Thame.

FRIDAY.

Atlantic Fleet: Autumn Manœuvres in the North Sea (until September 27).

Association of Special Libraries and Information Bureau.—Annual Conference, Oxford (until September 21)

National Rose Society.—Autumn Show, Royal Horticultural Hall, noon (two days).

Women's Engineering Society.—Annual Conference, Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford (until September 21).

SATURDAY.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, M.P., addresses Junior Imperial League, Crystal Palace, 6.30.

Association of Architects, Surveyors, and Technical Assistants.—Lord Riddell presides at debate on Official Architecture, Olympia, 3.

Grocers' Exhibition, Royal Agricultural Hall.

London Docks Week (until September 27).

Dr. C. Addison, M.P., at Spalding.

THE GATHERING SHADOW.

"Nearing the End in Imperial Russia." By George T. Marye. (Selwyn and Blount. 18s.)

The reader of these pages will be rather apt to wonder why their publication should have been so long delayed. They are the jottings of a man long experienced in public affairs and occupying the post of American Ambassador to Russia during the eventful and fateful years of the war before the United States entered into the great conflict. Mr. Marye was, of course, during that time at the very hub of the great web in whose entanglements section after section of Europe found itself involved. He would appear to be exactly what an ambassador should be, a man of wide interests and ingratiating personality, *persona grata* to all kinds of people. The entries in this extremely interesting political and diplomatic diary were made immediately after the occurrence of the happenings they relate. "Occasionally," says Mr. Marye, "they seek to peer into the future, and it is probable that their predictions would have been largely verified if the unforeseen, and what would have been looked upon at the time of writing as the impossible, had not happened." Not the least interesting pages of a fascinating volume are those dealing with the outstanding personalities with which Mr. Marye came into intimate contact, the Tsar and Tsarina, Sarzanoff, the cryptical sinister Rasputin, and a host of other important people.

OCTOBER MAGAZINES.

To the October number of "The Story Teller," Rudyard Kipling contributes a striking story entitled, "Unprofessional." A man who had inherited a million, plus annual royalties, determined to give three medical friends of his, whom he had tried and proved in the war, the opportunity to pursue strange lines of research, with results that make absorbing reading. Other contributors to an excellent number are Oscar Schisgall, with a long, complete crime story most ingeniously contrived; Mrs. C. N. Williamson, with another mystery story, "The Riddle of the Palazza Paladizo"; Elizabeth Marc, with "Lost Dug," a tale of life in the Arctic regions; Douglas Newton, Bertha Ruck, and Frank L. Shaw.

The "Argosy" magazine for October contains some first-rate stories by such masters of fiction as John Russell, Jerome K. Jerome, James Oliver Curwood, Morley Roberts, and Honoré de Balzac. "The Maker of Moons," by Robert W. Chambers, is an unusual story, with a curious blend of poetic Eastern mystery, and a masterly short story by Christine Jope-Slade, "The Little Lost Church," is quite out of the rut of everyday fiction; while Mr. Ralph Straus contributes in "The Room on the Fourth Floor" a grim little tale with a most original plot.

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THE NEXT BUDGET.

M. TARDIEU'S ACTION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

M. Tardieu has no intention of risking the life of his Government on the dangerous rocks of higher taxation. A short time ago he made clear his intention to keep next year's budget within the limits of the present one, and he has, it appears, carried through his purpose. According to the new system introduced by M. Tardieu, France's financial year no longer begins on January 1, but on April 1; that is to say, some seven months hence. However, in order to run no risks arising out of hasty preparation, the heads of departments were called upon some weeks ago to present to the Minister of the Budget their estimates of expenditure for next year. Added up, these estimates made a total of over £448,000,000, or about £48,000,000 in excess of the expenditure for the current year. A large proportion of this surplus was, it is believed, to be devoted to national defence. Nevertheless, the consequent increased burdens on the taxpayer which it would have implied were not at all to M. Tardieu's taste, and having cut down by about 15 per cent. the proposed expenditure of his own department, the Ministry of the Interior, he had the force of example with which to persuade his colleagues to follow in his path.

The result of the Prime Minister's action is that practically the whole of the increased expenditure has been struck out. At the same time, the public, whose interest in France's defences by land and air is being kept very much alive by the newspapers, is assured that all the sections of the budget concerning national defence are thoroughly well provided for.

DISGRUNTLED ANDORRANS.

That there should be any connection between Ireland and the affairs of Andorra is at first sight difficult to believe. Yet it appears to be the case. Andorra, as everyone knows, is a little State perched among the peaks of the Pyrenees. But it is not—as is frequently described—an independent Republic. Andorra is in reality a kind of principality with twin Princes, both of them absentees. One of them is the President of the French Republic and the other is the Spanish Bishop of Urgel.

How this curious juxtaposition of the Spanish Church and the head of the French Republic as co-suzerains arose is a long story. But briefly it is the historical development of a compromise which at the end of the thirteenth century settled the long-standing dispute between the Counts of Foix and those of Urgel regarding the over-lordship of the country. In course of time the rights of the former passed to the House of Navarre, and so to the throne of France, whence they descended to the President of the Republic, while those of the latter were in course of time transferred to the Bishops of Urgel. So far as France is concerned it is the prefect of the Eastern Pyrenees at Perpignan who actually exercises authority and receives from the representatives of Andorra the tribute of £40 a year which the country pays to each of its suzerains.

It appears that the Andorrans are now somewhat discontented and regard themselves as misunderstood by France. One of their causes of complaint is that the Bishop and the Prefect have refused to let them tap what they are convinced would have been a most profitable source of revenue. An Irish syndicate, so the story runs, has proposed to pay Andorra £3,000 annually in return for being allowed to run sweepstakes in the country on a series of the big horse races of the year. The Andorrans who know all about the lottery system in Spain think that the Irish sweepstake scheme would be an admirable way of finding the money for improving their roads and building a hospital. Not so, however, the Spanish Bishop and the French Prefect, who declare that they will not hear of the institution in Andorra of anything in the nature of organised gambling or lotteries. So the Andorrans, to their disappointment, have to go without their money.

M. DE PORTO RICHE.

In consequence of the death last week of the well-known dramatist M. de Porto Riche, the Institut de France will have to appoint a new librarian of the Bibliothèque Mazarine. It is not a post that brings its holder into the public eye, but for the man of letters on whom the choice falls it means not only an honour but also a charming residence by the banks of the Seine in one of the most tranquil and beautiful buildings in Paris—no small thing in these days of high rents and shortage of flats. One cannot help wondering whether M. de Porto Riche's maidservant has had during these past few days to carry out the instructions of her late master. The author of "Le Vieil Homme" and "Amoureuse" was a man of idiosyncracies. During his lifetime he, like Clémenceau, never took his seat among the Immortals in the Académie Française, and his one idea was, after his death, to escape from one of those pompous funerals with plumes and black and silver trappings with which France likes to honour her illustrious dead, and from that flood of often fulsome homage which is regularly poured forth on these occasions. So his cremation has been entirely private, and his remains will be laid quietly to rest on the sea-coast near Dieppe. These stipulations were in his will.

But to his faithful *bonne* the old playwright of 80 gave further instructions. "If after I have passed away," he said, "any body comes and asks after me, just say that I have gone out for a walk." Now that he is dead there is some curiosity as to what his executors may find among M. de Porto Riche's papers. From letters addressed by him to Réjane it would appear that he had written a considerable number of plays of which the public knows nothing. The question is whether these ever got beyond the stage of outlines of fragments, and, if completed, whether they are still extant.

PAVILLON DU HANOVRE.

Paris appears to have found its own solution for the problem of how to preserve intact some of its beautiful old houses without thereby obstructing its normal growth as an up-to-date capital. The method is simply to remove brick by brick the building to be preserved from the site on which it stands, and to build it up again somewhere on the outskirts of the city where it is not threatened by an invasion of skyscrapers. Thus a year or two ago the splendid Hotel de Massa, which, standing in its large garden, was a landmark in the Champs Elysées, was transported to the neighbourhood of the Observatoire, where it now forms a magnificent home for the Society of Authors.

The same method, it seems, is now applied for the preservation of a gem of eighteenth century architecture, the Pavillon du Hanovre, which is being crowded out of its site in the middle of the city at the corner of the Boulevard des Italiens and the Rue Louis le Grand. Every visitor to Paris passes, sooner or later, this house, built by the Duc de Richelieu (the inventor, it is said, of mayonnaise, which, however, should perhaps properly be spelt "mahonnaise," since it was a sauce devised by the Marshal to celebrate his capture of Mahon), but it is so over-topped by modern commercial buildings that its delicate beauties are smothered.

Purists may object that to remove a building from its original site and to set it up elsewhere is to destroy all its historical associations. But buildings like the Pavillon du Hanovre and the Hotel de Massa, which were designed to be set among trees and gardens, are no longer in their right surroundings when dominated and crowded in on all sides by huge twentieth century constructions. Their removal to parks on the outskirts of the capital seems therefore to be what the French call an "elegant solution" of the problem.

IRISH FREE STATE

REPRESENTATION AT GENEVA.

SAORSTAT'S ACTION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

DUBLIN, Saturday.

As a wholesome corrective to party politics in municipal affairs a movement is on foot to put forward for the new constituted Dublin Corporation candidates who will pledge themselves to discuss business only. It remains to be seen how far they will be able to keep to this good intention and resist provocative taunts and temptations. Many county councils made similar resolutions in years past, but they have to a large degree fallen from grace. The Wexford County Council is a case in point. It was proposed at a recent meeting to summon the deputies representing the county to appear before it, in order to give an account of themselves, and presumably take orders for future conduct. This betrays a strange ignorance of party mechanism and discipline. To a certain extent it is the outcome of baulked disposition, inasmuch as the administration of local government is so controlled and centralised that suppressed activity seeks irregular outlets.

The city population and what is euphemistically termed the educated classes are becoming more internationally minded, and there is considerable interest over the Saorstat's candidature for a seat on the Council of the League of Nations. Nevertheless, the cosmopolitan influence of Geneva has to be tempered to domestic necessities, and this has been done in the statement made by the Minister of External Affairs to the effect that Ireland does not seek a seat on the Council as a representative of the British Commonwealth. The logic of this declaration is perplexing, inasmuch as, if elected, she will, willy-nilly, be a member of the Commonwealth. How she will, in practice, reconcile the possibly conflicting interests of sovereign independence and Commonwealth obligation can only be determined by experience. In point of fact the statement need not be taken seriously abroad, as it is intended for home consumption. It conforms to the good working rule that friends are safe and it is adversaries who must be placated.

The opposition, however, in the person of Mr. Lemass, has made an emphatic rejoinder. He says that until Ireland is a political whole one portion of the country has no right to be represented at Geneva. This is somewhat inconsistent with the participation of his party in the proceedings of the Inter-Parliamentary Association, or even with the recognition—however tardy—of the Dail itself.

TRINITY COLLEGE.

The official attitude of the Catholic Hierarchy towards Trinity College has now been made public. It forms part of a series of decrees which bear the approval of the Holy See, and are now published after a lapse of more than three years since their first adoption by the National Synod. The actual wording of this special decree suggests a certain degree of dilution and compromise. An injunction is directed to the clergy alone forbidding them, under pain of mortal sin, to recommend either parents to send their children, or students to go to Trinity College. There is no direct prohibition on the parties themselves. It will be significant to see what the future will be on Trinity College itself. Many of its distinguished sons have been Catholics, and at the present time there are a number of graduates of this persuasion at the college. They feel no embarrassment, and live on the most friendly terms with their fellow-students. Their popularity and success may possibly be due to the spirit of independence which finds them where they are. It is certain they will be none the worse citizens for the experience.

CONTROL OF EXPORTS.

The absence of a balanced constructive Opposition is the most disquieting feature of our political life. In the meantime the more practically disposed are hammering away at the prosaic work of construction. A measure has been announced to improve the quality of exported eggs. This has become even more important now that all eggs imported into Great Britain must bear individually the mark of origin. Farmers and their servants are, however, allowed to carry eggs across the border without any restriction as to packing or grading. Stringent penalties are to be imposed on those who traffic dirty eggs.

All this regulation and control which is now so popular, and which many foreign students are studying, is apt to add to the cost of production. A bad example of this has recently arisen under the machinery to control the export of fresh meat. Wholetime veterinary inspectors are attached to factories and abattoirs, and they are paid by means of registration fees and head rates on the quantities killed. Their duties are confined to the inspection of goods for export only, whereas under certain local bye-laws produce for home consumption has also to carry veterinary certification. The result in one case I know of is that the same factory has to employ two veterinary surgeons—one for home and one for exportable produce—where one could easily do all the work, and the total cost involved amounts to several hundred pounds. This is a heavy burden on a struggling business which has to compete against world prices.

AN AFTERNOON IN ATTICA.

VIEW OF EUBŒA.

By A CORRESPONDENT.

The road was sharply divided into white sunlit stretches and rectangles of shadow as we drove through the outskirts of Athens that brilliant afternoon. At first we passed only villas and gardens; then the houses straggled, dwindled; here and there a goat browsed by the roadside; until, escaping from the city, we turned off through fir plantations and crossed a little gorge with boys paddling, impish figures against the pale green of the trees and the sandy soil.

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We were past Tatoi, lately a Royal palace, and far into the folds of Parnes, when the car broke down. The chauffeur tinkered; looking idly back, we could see Hymettus behind us, and to the left of it the peak of Pentelikon, with the Attic plain caught there in the frame of the hills. But the chauffeur astonishingly did not tinker for long, and soon we climbed on to the crest of the ridge, the site of Dekeleia, where the frontier fortress once guarded the approach from Oropus. To-day a little inn stands by the roadside. Turkeys and hens and ducks were scratching and pecking round the iron tables where a loafer or two drank his coffee; and presently a man came up with fresh supplies of drinking water in petrol tins. But we did not stop to drink, preferring to drive on, through the pines and the arbutus and the flowers to Hagios Merkourios at the bend of the road, where the ground slopes sharply away, and suddenly Eubœa comes into sight across the ultramarine strait.

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Precisely in the middle of the landscape was Eubœa's Fujiyama—Dirphys, capped and striped with snow, with clouds dark and light, lowering and dazzling, ridged and piled above. To the left the mainland and the island seemed joined by a narrow spit where Chalkis lies. Beyond that the gulf widened and the mountains rose again, and in front of Dirphys and to the right the hills looked down on the Euripus, clouding its mirror-surface with shadows and dark streaks. One great shadow swept over the mainland, too, and darkened the pines which covered the slopes in patches; but between the pines there was a green patch

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of plain here and there or a square of rich red earth. To our left a ridge of Parnes and yet another ridge dropped away to the level ground; beyond would be the edge of the Theban plain, where the mountain of the Sphinx keeps cynical watch.

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Meditating thus, we were disturbed by a rattle at our backs—the loaded 'bus was trundling down to Oropus, following the road which runs resolutely across to the coast. In the distance another rattle—the train from Thebes with its green carriages and rust-red trucks, creeping round the foot of Parnes, whistling and crossing a bridge. Two reminders of the age of steam and petrol! It was time for us to go; and in a moment the car was hurrying us back, away from the frontier fortress, away from the sight of Eubœa, to Athens.

ON THE RIVIERA.

DIVERSIONS ON SEA AND SHORE.

MOUSE AS MASCOT.

By A CANNES CORRESPONDENT.

Strange sights appear almost ordinary in a casino, but I think the palm for originality ought to be awarded to the young man who dined, danced, and played baccarat for an entire evening at Cannes with a tiny white mouse as his chief guide, philosopher, and friend. The mouse's favourite perch appeared to be at the back of his owner's neck, but every few minutes he ran swiftly round his master's shoulders, as though to see whether he was winning or losing. During dinner the mouse, who is just three months old and about half-grown, clambered up a fork and perched himself on the rim of a wineglass, whence he essayed to take a sip of champagne now and then.

The mouse appeared to enjoy himself all the time, except when his master executed all sorts of sudden twists and twirls on the dance-floor. Then, and then only, the mouse leapt agitatedly on to the shoulders of the woman partnering his owner, who seemed quite unperturbed by this sudden manœuvre. Imagination boggles at the thought of what would have happened had this white mouse taken it into his head to jump on to the baccarat table, race round once or twice, hop in and out of the "shoe," and then plunge into the cagnotte! I feel that such a situation could have full justice done to it solely by the art of H. M. Bateman.

HAIRDRESSING IN THE OPEN.

What would be unique anywhere else is at Juan-les-Pins considered so commonplace that no one so much as pauses to give it a passing glance. Next door to the casino on the beach are rows of luxuriously equipped bathing cabins arranged in a square, the centre of which is occupied by a tiny hairdresser's shop. The size of the establishment is immaterial since hardly any of the customers go in. Instead, they sit in a row in the open-air—grotesque, mummy-like figures, with strained expressions, swathed in white linen from top to toe; their hair tied up in white canvas bags attached to electric dryers. Far from being a waste of time, this drying proceeds simultaneously with manicure and pedicure, since every woman must decide whether her finger and toe-nails shall be vivid scarlet, "perles rosées," mother-of-pearl, or gleaming silver. The only thing they must *not* be is their natural colour.

MECCA OF SPEEDBOATS.

Monte Carlo beach, by that mysterious process which decrees whether a place is a success or not, has come to rank with Cap d'Antibes and the Iles des Lérins as the destinations to which one frequently steers one's speedboat at lunch-time. A few short steps up the beach from the sea and one comes upon one of the largest open-air swimming pools I have ever seen, lined with turquoise-blue tiles, which give the water the same attractive hue. Tables run along the far side of the bath, and behind them is a large restaurant that is a typical example of ultra-modern French interior decoration. Here one lunches extremely well before embarking on the inevitable afternoon siesta, stretched full-length on an orange-coloured mattress.

A short distance from the swimming-pool, beyond the newly built bungalow-type hotel, is a beautifully laid-out terraced rock garden, slightly reminiscent of Eden Roc, from the summit of which there is a wonderful view, while on the promontory of the bay is the specially designed solarium. This takes the form of an enclosure surrounded by green trellis-work and screened by canvas linings.

Lady Ursula Filmer-Sankey, the elder daughter of the Duke of Westminster, has been spending long, sunny days at this new plage, and others I met there were Miss Betty and Miss Bunty Fripp, the daughters of the late Sir Alfred Fripp, the famous surgeon; Miss Mollie Towle, in Cambridge-blue pyjamas; Lord and Lady Brownlow, Miss "Kay" Norton, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald van den Bergh, who are amongst the expert "free boarders," and had come over in their new motor-boat with a party of friends.

AN ISLAND RETREAT.

The Maharajah of Kapurthala made a special expedition to the Ile Saint-Honorat, opposite Cannes harbour, and lunched at the amusing little alfresco restaurant, where the incessant hum of the peculiar kind of crickets that abound on the island does away with any need for an orchestra.

At the southern extremity of the island is "Le Vieux Château," which was built by the monks in 1070 to protect themselves against attacks by the Saracens. A little further inland is the present monastery, past the outer gates of which no woman is allowed to pass. The major portion of the building has recently been completely rebuilt, but there are numerous Roman remains to be seen inside, including a stone coffin and some finely carved columns in the old cloisters, where also is a beautiful Roman water cistern, now used every day by the monks to wash their hands in. The chapel is modern, but entering it in the dim light after the brilliance outside, one seemed to catch a glimpse of centuries long past. At the keyboard of an organ in the centre of the nave sat an aged monk clad in a flowing white robe. Propped up in front of him was an enormous tome, beautifully illuminated on parchment, from which he was with some difficulty slowly picking out a chant on the organ.

In the réfectoire, which resembles nothing so much as the hall of one of the Oxford or Cambridge colleges, a fine fresco of the Last Supper, by Pinta, is painted on the wall above the high table. Each monk has his own carved oak seat, like a choir stall, and also a stand containing a jug of water, a bottle of wine, some salt, mustard, etc. Above the doorway is the pulpit from which a member of the order reads to the monks while they are at meals.

WHEN THE WEATHER CHANGES.

For the past six weeks perfect weather has been the rule on the Riviera, hence the arrival first of the sirocco and then of the mistral came with the suddenness of a flash of lightning. One afternoon, a few days ago, the beach at Juan-les-Pins was crowded with a dense mass of sun and sea-bathers, enjoying themselves in tiny, gaily painted canoes, on amusing water bicycles, diving, or going down the water-chute head first, aqua-planing, speeding, either in a seaplane or in motor-boats, playing ball games on the sands, or merely improving their sunburn.

Suddenly, without warning, the dead calm sea became turbulent; grey clouds obscured the blue skies, and the burning, sand-laden sirocco began to blow. In ten minutes all the umbrella shades along the beach had been tightly furled and everyone dashed for shelter, save those aboard the plunging and pitching boats in the bay, most of which managed to put in at the harbour of Golfe Juan.

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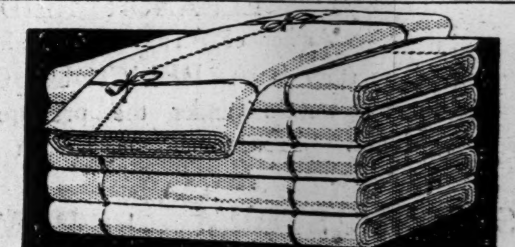

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IN SOUTHERN INDIA.

A STATION CONCERT.

UNCONSCIOUS HUMOUR.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

We had been back from the Hills for six weeks at the time of which I write, and some who returned earlier had already started to organise a concert which the whole station attended.

It was given by our Sorramallee Musical and Amateur Dramatic Society, a pompous title for a meagre little company. In fact, even the full initials are considered too cumbersome for everyday use, so people ignore the musical part and refer to the society affectionately as the Sads. Ignoring the musical part is usually the kindest thing we can do, but there are occasions when we don't get the chance—and that night was one of them.

Of course, we could have stayed away, but nobody would dream of doing that. If it is a good show for Sorramallee, it is great fun—and if it is a bad show it is greater fun still. Besides, our curiosity is always piqued by the rumours that leak out from the rehearsals. There is the secretary, Mrs. Mannering, who is known as Mrs. Managing because she manages everybody and everything except the secretarial work. She had a course of elocution lessons as a girl in England, and we have never been able to live them down. They enable her to tell exactly where the electrical engineer is going wrong in his voluntary work with the lighting, and entitle her to offer the second best part to Mrs. Jones, despite the Committee's decision to offer it first to Mrs. Smith. The best part, of course, is never in doubt for a moment. Mrs. Mannering is prepared for it—be it any character from a kitchenmaid of seventeen to a countess of seventy—and in them all she is just Mrs. Mannering elocuting. You see, she can even manage the dramatists.

AFFAIRE DES BOTTES.

Then there was the interesting rumour about the boots. The writer of the sketch, to be put on after the musical part of the evening, had an idea that the heroine should enter in a riding habit, and Mrs. Mannering doesn't ride. Still, a tailor could run up a linen kit, and she was quite sure she could borrow Mrs. Brown's boots. She approached the subject so discreetly, it seems, that Mrs. Brown got the impression that she was being invited to be the heroine—whereupon Mrs. Mannering made it very clear that she was not offering the part, and Mrs. Brown made it equally clear that she was not offering the

Mr. E. V. Lucas is on holiday, but will resume his weekly causerie next Sunday.

boots. They had a little tiff over this, and Mrs. Brown resigned her position as accompanist in the concert, which meant that all the musical part, well advanced by this time, had to be started again with an unskilled and unwilling accompanist, dragged in chains to each rehearsal and protesting loudly that they might think themselves very clever, but they couldn't stop him going down with fever on the night of the show if he liked!

The easy way to "manage" the boots was to substitute walking kit. This only involved the loss of three bright epigrams at the outset, and changing an elegant groom, who already knew his part, into a cockney tramp with quite a different part, and the denouement of the plot entirely flattened through loss of the groom.

THE BEAUTY CHORUS.

There were other rumours of difficulty, but these will indicate our pleasing sense of excitement as we took our places in the club hall. The programme was not very enlightening—the first item being given as merely Beauty Chorus. Still, when the curtain rose we were very glad we had the programme behind us, so to speak. There are a dozen women in Sorramallee who are distinctly pretty all the year round, except for Sads performances. That's the elocution lessons again—they taught Mrs. Mannering all about make-up. Rouge on the cheeks is an amateurish mistake, so our beauties are haggard of aspect, with crimson chins and purple eyelids. They're cheery souls, these women—we know them well—but, perhaps oppressed by doubts about their chins, they drag themselves leadenfooted through a dainty dance and abjure us in a worried way to "Cheerio, Cheerio!" with a high note at the end, which finally shatters their morale.

Still, we must needs be of good cheer—as Cranmer put it to his friend in even more trying circumstances—for the next item is a song by Mrs. Gray, who always pipes a plaintive note. We duly grieve for Tatters, who, "'neath the city sky," in the course of four verses discovers the new truth that fortune little matters (rhyming with Tatters) when love goes by—rhyming with sky and presumably explaining why Tatters, of all the citizens, should be particularly located as being beneath it. Mrs. Gray has a delightful contralto, and we defeat our depression in time to ask for more. She then harrows us utterly by "True, True Till Death."

The Bank Manager now comes on to be funny with check trousers and a small hat, and finds us hysterically willing to be happy. The padre's wife and the headmistress of the Mission School think him very vulgar, but e'en the ranks of Tuscany can scarce forbear to cheer when he makes us all join in a parody of "Tipperary."

QUEEN OF THE FAIRIES.

And then the stage dips beneath the weight of Mrs. Gourlay, who, with plump hands clasped upon a chest protruding far across the footlights, shrills piercingly of the fairies at the bottom of her garden. She is perfectly right about the end—we never *would* believe that the Queen of the Fairies was Mrs. Gourlay. She is a star performer—we have seen her in many rôles, and gleefully imagined her in many more—but no, *not* the Queen of the Fairies! However, the thought is diverting, and in common gratitude for it we call for an encore, expecting and getting "Down in the Forest." Mrs. Gourlay's favourite tale is that Sir Landon Ronald once accompanied her in this song, and declared emotionally at the end that he had never heard it sung like that. We find this easy to believe.

Young Brunton now plays the piano, and firmly refuses to play it again. We don't try to insist, for, magnificent pianist as he is, he can do nothing with Mrs. Carter's instrument. It is a poor dumb thing of obscure origin and forgotten youth. But Mrs. Carter lives near the Club, and always offers her piano when she hears of a show. Efforts fail every time to get a previous offer accepted, for Mrs. Carter is one of those who hear of everything before there is anything to hear.

"SMA' WUNNER!"

The Beauty Chorus now trips on again with pierrots to match, and each lady has someone else's husband to sing sentimentally with her. We rather like this—some of the men have good voices, and all the beauties, emboldened by stiff brandy and soda, have washed their chins and feel much better. But the headmistress behind us whispers that she doesn't think this love-making is quite nice, and Mrs. Padre nods agreement, and says, "They knew better than to ask *me* to take part," and our blunt Scots Nanny glances at her forbidding features, and snorts "Sma' wunner!" Fortunately, everybody is laughing at young Fortescue, who has just clumsily given his lady a resounding whack with the flat of his ukulele, and a difficult moment passes.

This brings us to the interval, and a breath of air and a long drink in the compound before returning for the dramatic part. But there is nothing to tell about it—the sketch was supposed to be cynical and snappy, but Mrs. Mannering has managed all the snap out of it. So we go home, and the best bit of it all, of course, is the conversation that opens out at supper from the passwords—Beauty Chorus and Queen of the Fairies!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

Bligh of H.M.S. Bounty.

Sir,—In the cockpit of H.M.S. Victory, the picture portraying the death of Admiral Viscount Nelson includes a Lieutenant Bligh as having been present on that occasion.

As the bones of Admiral Bligh repose in Lambeth churchyard, Lambethans would be interested to know if the lieutenant was a kinsman of "Breadfruit Bligh."

Lambeth, S.E. W. WILKIE JONES.

A Trafalgar Incident.

Sir,—An old friend of mine tells me that he was born and spent his early years in the old Greenwich Hospital before it was converted into the R.N.C., that he had an acquaintance with one of the officer pensioners—Commander Hastings Parker—and that Parker often told him that he was the midshipman who "nailed the colours to the mast" at Trafalgar. My friend is anxious to know if there is any recorded incident which would fit the statement.

Parker was very frail at the time of the conversation, and was allowed to remain in his quarters till his death.

Newark. J. MARKHAM ROSE.

A Greedy Map.

Sir,—To a gastronomic map should be added Eccles cakes, Bury puddings, Bury simnels, Pomfret cakes, Berwick cockles (Mr. Lucas should go to Berwick!), Yorkshire cheesecakes, parkin in the West Riding, turfcakes in the East Riding, that ambrosial delicacy of Northumberland and Durham the girdle cake, and in the N.E. counties and Scotland the real "scone," with a pinch of soda, not the London vapid thing.

Bury. L. R. STRANGEWAYS.

Colonel Mellish.

Sir,—Mr. H. Benson, in an article on the St. Leger, states that "Colonel Mellish, the noted sportsman, died friendless and penniless while following the humble occupation of ostler in a London tavern."

My father, born 1812, and others who lived at Hodsock and were still older, always said that the colonel's sister, Mrs. Chambers, bought his Hodsock Priory estate in Blythe parish, and he died at a small but picturesque farmhouse on it at an early age—36, I think. I am not sure of the date, but have a copy of "Lines on the Late Colonel Mellish," by Mr. Upton, from the *Sporting Magazine*, 1817, which certainly do not give the impression that he was friendless. Mellish is an esteemed name in Notts, and the noted colonel's nephew, to whom Mrs. Chambers left the property, and his descendants have well maintained its honour.

Retford. A.

The Puritan Rebellion.

Sir,—In your "Books and Writers" column your reviewer states that Miss Storm Jameson has put forward a new view of the Puritan rebellion—that it was a rising of the greedy commercial classes against the Monarchy that strove to check their selfishness and ambition. It might interest him to know that he can find this view very well put in "A History of the English Monarchy," by Professor F. W. Bain, which is at least thirty years old; further, that at any university where history is taught, as distinct from a mere jumble of Whig superstitions, this view is a commonplace, not merely of debating undergraduates, but of dons and teachers of the subject. The legend of the "spontaneous rising of an oppressed people" has been pretty well scotched.

Uckfield, Sussex. J. W. A. HUNT.

Park Lane and the Park.

Sir,—Some years ago we were threatened with an elephantine war memorial in pseudo-Egyptian style for Hyde Park, but the project was fortunately strangled at birth by general opinion. Yet now we have a red-brick Behemoth, New Grosvenor House, dominating the neighbourhood—with what further experiments to follow?

Extremes meet, and popularism (as expressed by the "Lido") on one side, and luxury (in commercialised form) on the other, have combined to exploit and to cheapen this once unique area of Park and Lane. Are protective authorities insufficient, or is it a case of *Quis custodiet ipsos custodes?*

Park Walk, S.W. W. RANDOLPH.

Monmouth's Legitimacy.

Sir,—In reference to the letter concerning a wedding certificate of Charles II. and Lucy Waters, I should like your correspondent to know that I have in my muniment room here a Royal Declaration by Charles II., denying any marriage or contract of marriage between "Us and one Mrs. Waters *alias* Barlow, now deceased, mother of the present Duke of Monmouth," etc. The Declaration is worded as follows:—

> HIS MAJESTIES DECLARATION TO ALL HIS LOVING SUBJECTS,
> June the Second, 1680.
> In January last was Twelvemonth, we made a Declaration written with Our own Hand in these words following.
> There being a false and malicious Report industriously spread abroad by some, who are neither Friends to Me or the Duke of Monmouth, as if I should have been either Contracted or Married to his Mother; and though I am most confident that this idle Story cannot have any effect in this Age, yet I thought it My Duty in relation to the true Succession of this Crown and that future Ages may not have any pretence to give Disturbance upon that score, or any other of this nature, to Declare, as I do here, Declare in the presence of Almighty God, that I was never Married, nor gave any Contract to any Woman whatsoever, but to My Wife Queen Catherine, to whom I am now married. In witness whereof I set my Hand at Whitehall the Sixth of January, 1678-9.
> CHARLES R.
> And this Declaration I make in the presence of
> W. CANT,
> H. FINCH, C.
> H. COVENTRY,
> J. WILLIAMSON.

DOROTHY WALKER-HENEAGE.
Coker Court, Yeovil.

Tennyson's Double.

Sir,—In the seventies or very early eighties I used occasionally to have a meal at Verrey's Restaurant, then frequented by celebrities.

I was acquainted with the then owner, Mr. George Krehl, who usually sat at a desk downstairs. When I was there he would mention any notabilities who happened to be in the restaurant, and I remember one day his pointing out a man who he said he thought was Tennyson, but he was not quite sure, as he believed the poet was said to have a "double." From his resemblance to published portraits, I certainly should have taken the person to be Tennyson.

L. A. CLUTTERBUCK, Col.
Hampstead, N.W.

Sir,—In reply to "H. M.," when I lived in Clifton forty to fifty years ago I used frequently to meet Arthur Tennyson, Lord Tennyson's brother.

He generally wore a broad-brimmed soft hat with a long black cloak; wrote—I believe, published—some poems, and bore a very strong resemblance to his more celebrated brother.

Bath. E. M. TRAVERS.

Sir,—In regard to the question "if there was ever a double of Tennyson who frequented the West End," the answer is in the affirmative. His name was Lionel Lincoln, and he was a well-known amateur of music. The late Edmund Yates spoke of him as "not so much a man as a musical library."

Chiswick. HENRY MURRAY.

Sir,—I think "Tennyson's double" was probably Aubrey de Vere (1814-1902). He was an ardent disciple of Tennyson, and a personal friend who often stayed with him. Two of Aubrey de Vere's poems are given in "The Oxford Book of Verse." He was brother of Sir Stephen de Vere, an Irish baronet, and came from Co. Limerick.

Sherborne. A. L. W.

A Byron Parody.

From LORD DARTMOUTH.

Sir,—On January 15, 1887, the M.C.C. celebrated their hundredth anniversary by a dinner in the Lords tennis court, under the chairmanship of their president, Mr. Chandos Leigh.

It fell to my lot to propose a toast, "The great army of cricketers," coupled with the names of Dr. Hornby (Provost of Eton), clerical cricket; Lord George Hamilton (First Lord), naval cricket; Mr. E. Stanhope (Secretary of State), Army cricket; A. L. Smith, legal cricket; Dr. W. G. Grace, medical cricket; and Lord Harris, county cricket.

I quoted the lines correctly given by Mr. Howe, and it was, I think, the first time Dr. Grace had heard them. They appeared first, as Mr. Howe tells us, in *Punch* (June 8, 1878, being the exact date). They were a happy parody on "The Death of Sennacherib" by Lord Byron, the first verse of which runs:—

> The Assyrian came down like a wolf on the fold,
> And his cohorts were gleaming with purple and gold,
> And the sheen of their spears was like stars on the sea,
> When the blue wave rolls nightly on deep Galilee.

—lines very familiar in those days, popular as recitations at school speech-days, often parodied, as in the case quoted by Mr. Thompson (though an "old ditty" hardly seems a suitable description), and once humorously criticised by Mark Twain as being "too bubly to be good poetry." As these events happened long before the "Ashes" were thought of the claim made by another writer to have given the correct version need not be considered.

But it was an incident with far-reaching results. It shows the class of wicket first-class cricketers had to compete with, and it was the first glimmer that English cricketers had that the day might come when their then superiority might be seriously challenged. It is well to be accurate even in small details, and I am glad, from personal knowledge, to support Mr. Howe in his interesting and very accurate statement.

Wolverhampton. DARTMOUTH.

Spillikins.

Sir,—The old game of Spillikins or Spilikins (not Spellicans) in name is derived from "spile" or "spill" (a splinter or split slither of wood, etc.). The "spillikins," i.e., little spills, are carved (usually in bone or ivory) with fantastically-shaped heads like saws, arrow-heads, crooks, etc., but some are plain. There may be any uneven number from twenty-one upwards. They are laid on a level board or table in an interlaced heap. A "hook" of bone or ivory, somewhat resembling a crochet-hook, is used in turn by two or more players to extricate the spillikins one by one without moving or shaking the remainder. A player continues in play until this rule is infringed. The player who draws out the most spillikins wins. As far as I know, the game is still obtainable at toy-shops. Ogilvie ("Imp. Dict.") asserts that this game is the same as Pushpin, but Strutt ("Sports and Pastimes") describes the latter as "a very silly sport, being nothing more than simply pushing one pin across another."

KATHERINE M. BUCK.
Buckhurst Hill, Essex.

[Replies have also been received from George J. Binns (Dunstable), J. A. Maynard Howe (East Sheen), Dudley Harborn (Hull), L. de M. Carey (Norfolk Square, W.), A. E. Bale (Brixton), M. H. (Southwold), and Res Ker (Walthamstow).]

Midget Golf.

Sir,—"Autolycus" expresses his surprise at the reported success of "midget golf" in the United States. Courses are springing up all over that continent, but it is in Southern California that the boom is most pronounced, and in all directions around Los Angeles and Hollywood every street seems to have its course, gaily decorated with flags by day and brilliantly illuminated at night. This particular neighbourhood has developed so rapidly that the number of vacant sites available, particularly at street corners, is unusually large. In July, at the end of the Wilshire Boulevard, close to Beverley Hills, I counted six courses, four completed and two under construction within 200 yards.

For a round 25 cents (1s.) is charged, which takes forty or forty-five minutes, and this includes hire of putter and ball, while free orangeade is provided by the more enterprising proprietors. The pioneers reported such vast profits that the rush of competitors soon followed, but the comparatively dull necessity of playing indoors at night caused by the English climate argues against a similar craze over here. In the pleasantly cool Californian evenings many thousands find amusement in the game under the powerful arc lamps and with jazz accompaniment from a loud speaker.

London, S.W. GORDON BRYAN.

"A Fancy from a Flower-bell."

Sir,—Your correspondent "Puzzled" seems to have misquoted the lines slightly. They should read:—

> A fancy from a flower-bell, someone's death;
> A chorus-ending from Euripides,

and will be found in "Bishop Blougram's Apology," from Browning's "Men and Women."

Salisbury. GEOFFREY STEVENS.

[Replies have also been received from J. B. Holmes Pegler (Consett), C. B. L. Haslewood (Bath), A. M. F. (Edinburgh), P. L. W. (Epsom), Mary R. Balling (Colchester), Anne Harrison (Bryanston Square, N.W.), E. W. (Wembley), Philip M. Magnus (Cambridge Square, W.), K. C. M. (Ipswich), A. N. M. B. (Buxton), Josephine M. Callinan (Durham), H. B. Marton (Manchester), G. Norman Knight (Chelsea, S.W.3), H. W. G. (Lamarsh), H. F. Andorsen (Carlton Club, S.W.), F. G. Parsons (Copthorne), Henry Murray (Chiswick), S. H. Bennett (London, S.W.), and C. Joy (Bentley).]

The Accident to Mr. Huskisson.

Sir,—The following extracts from an account, published in 1830, may be found interesting:—

> On arrival of the procession at Parkside (a little on this side of Newton) the carriages stopped to take in a supply of water. Before starting from Liverpool the company were particularly requested not to leave the carriages. . . . Notwithstanding this regulation, Mr. Huskisson, Mr. William Holmes, M.P., and other gentlemen alighted when the Northumbrian stopped at Parkside—Mr. Holmes for the purpose of bringing Mr. Huskisson and the Duke together, and producing a renewed good feeling between them, led Mr. Huskisson round to that part of the car where the Duke was stationed, who, perceiving the advance of the right hon. gentleman, immediately held out his hand to him, which was shaken in a very cordial manner. It was almost at this moment that the Rocket was seen to be on the advance, and a general move took place to get out of its way, several persons calling out, "Get in, get in." Mr. Huskisson grasped hold of the door of the ducal car the moment before the Rocket passed; this door, when open, projected so far over the railway that it was struck by the Rocket and overbalanced Mr. Huskisson, causing him to fall on the railway of the Rocket, when his right leg came in contact with the wheel of the engine and was crushed. The Northumbrian being detached from the carriages it was sent forward with the greatest possible speed to Eccles with Mr. Huskisson, the Earl of Wilton, Mr. Stephenson, and two medical gentlemen.

Cheam. ERNEST MORGAN.

Sir,—There is no question but that the engine involved in the accident to Mr. Huskisson was the famous Rocket. In the authoritative account of the opening of the line entitled an "Accurate description of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway: with an Account of the Opening of the Railway and the Melancholy Accident Which Occurred," by James Scott Walker, published at Liverpool in 1831, it is stated:—

> The Duke and the other passengers in his car perceiving an engine which turned out to be the Rocket rapidly approaching "upon the other line." . . .

After describing how the engine knocked Mr. Huskisson down, the account further states:—

> It may here be observed that no blame whatever is attributed to the engineer of the Rocket, as he immediately stopped working on hearing the outcry.

Brondesbury, N.W. A. M. H. SOLOMON.

[Letters also received from William R. Power (Stamford Hill, N.), and R. P. Griffiths (Lowestoft).]

Garden Cities.

Sir,—The article by Mr. Harold Cox on Garden Cities in last week's SUNDAY TIMES will have given pleasure and encouragement to many supporters of the Garden City movement. It is to be hoped that it has also attracted the attention of manufacturers who are about to establish works in the South of England. The tendency of industries to establish themselves increasingly in the neighbourhood of London is a marked sign of the times, and the two garden cities, Letchworth and Welwyn, offer practical advantages and amenities that are not equalled by any other development areas in the Home Counties.

Letchworth and Welwyn are not suburbs or urban extensions of a London that is already vastly overgrown. They are self-contained towns with carefully planned industrial and residential quarters, agricultural belts, and unusually ample facilities for recreation. They are admirably served for purposes of transport by road and rail.

Undoubtedly, as Mr. Harold Cox says, the Garden City affords the best solution of the distressing problem of haphazard "ribbon" development that is spoiling so much of our beautiful English countryside. It is an entirely practical and businesslike solution of that problem and of the many others relating to housing, transport and industrial development that are baffling statesmen and social reformers.

CECIL HARMSWORTH,
Chairman Exec. Com. Garden Cities and Town Planning Assoc.
Gray's Inn, W.C.

Swinburne and Watts-Dunton.

Sir,—I think that Mr. E. F. Benson is in error in his account of the first meeting between Theodore Watts-Dunton and Swinburne. My impression is—but I cannot verify it, as I am away from my books—that the incident relates to the first meeting of Mr. George Moore and the poet, and that an account of it is to be found in Sir Edmund Gosse's "Life of Swinburne" in the form of an appendix written by Mr. George Moore, who described in vivid language his horror at the strange sight that met his gaze as he opened the bedroom door and his hurried flight.

Carlton Club, S.W. H. F. ANDORSEN.

Sir,—One would not expect Mr. E. F. Benson to give fresh impetus to the falsehood that Swinburne wrote no more poetry after he became the housemate of Theodore Watts-Dunton. He published much that is beautiful after 1879. Watts-Dunton, while he was alive, was adulated by *litterateurs*, and, being dead, is referred to as a "lawyer," although he wrote excellent verses and an uncommonly powerful novel.

Kew. W. H. CHESSON.

A Shakespeare Epitaph.

Sir,—Can any of your readers elucidate the attribution to Shakespeare of the epitaph on Sir Thomas Stanley in Tong Church, Staffordshire? The first six lines are said to be engraved on the east and the second six lines complete the epitaph on the west side of this Stanley tomb, but I have not myself inspected the epitaph, the text of which I give below as given in "English Epitaphs and Epigrams":—

> Ask who lies here but do not weep;
> He is not dead he doth but sleep.
> This stony register is for his bones,
> His fame is more perpetual than these stones;
> And his own goodness with himself being gone
> Shall live when earthly monument is none.
> Not monumental stone preserves our fame,
> Nor sky-aspiring pyramids our name.
> The memory of him for whom this stands
> Shall outlive marble and defacer's hands:
> When all to Time's consumption shall be given
> Stanley for whom this stands, shall stand in Heaven.
> W. Shakespeare,
> 1588 (*sic*)—1616.

Bath. R. N. GREEN-ARMYTAGE.

Bath Stone.

Sir,—A "Bath stone" is a brick of freestone from the Bath quarries, used for whitening doorsteps and for cleaning hard-stone floors, curing slabs, washing troughs, and similar household fittings.

A "Bath chair" is a chair designed at, and used exclusively at, Bath in the seventeenth century for the conveyance of invalids to the hot baths, and often for the conveyance of belles to the fashionable balls at the Bath Pump Room and Assembly Rooms, where Beau Nash reigned.

A "Bath chap" is a triangularly shaped "cut" off a pig's cheek: sweet-cured and carefully wrapped to preserve its distinctive flavouring. For long years it was cured and sold exclusively by a Bath firm of pork butchers in the centre of the city of Bath, but is now advertised and sold by numerous Wiltshire and Somersetshire firms.

Chepstow. W. BATH CLEAVER.

Sir,—Mr. W. R. Power is in error respecting Bath stone becoming bath-brick. Bath-brick is a composition made from the silt on the banks of the River Parrett at Bridgwater, and Bridgwater is the only town where it can be manufactured. It is named from the inventor and first maker, a Mr. Bath. WALTER BELCHER.

Kingston-on-Thames.

[Letters also received from R. A. Jeffrey (Harrow), Octogenarian (Surbiton), and A Lover of Quotations (Hyde Park, W.).]

"I'd Whip Her with a Feather."

Sir,—May I be permitted to suggest that the line

> I'd whip her with a feather

was perhaps derived from the lines spoken by Rosalind in a Madrigal in Thomas Lodge's "Rosalind" (1590)?:—

> Else I with roses every day
> Will whip ye hence,
> And bind ye, when ye long to play,
> For your offence.

London, W. E. J. M. BUXTON.

Captain Boycott.

Sir,—"Atticus" is wrong when he declares that "nobody now recollects" Captain Boycott. I remember him perfectly well when he was agent at Bungay, in Suffolk, to the Duke of Hamilton.

I remember the old man with bowler hat well back on his head and his old blue serge suit (which had a greenish tinge) in which he rode over the Bungay racecourse (of which he was clerk), and, as he refused to wear straps, his trousers-legs worked quickly up towards his knees.

I remember, too, that through sheer enthusiasm he nearly destroyed the Farmers' Races. He held the quite erroneous idea that if he entered the Duke's horses it would encourage the local yeoman farmers. Of course, as the Duke's were to the manner born, while the yeoman horses were—well, yeoman horses—discouragement was rife because the latter had no dog's chance of defeating the former.

Chelsea, S.W. ROBIN H. LEGGE.

Readers' Queries.

[The number of readers' queries that reach us is now so great that a small proportion only can be published, and we endeavour, therefore, to make a selection of those of most general interest.]

From LORD WYFOLD.

Will any reader who knows Yiddish kindly tell me the meaning of the word "Hennye," which appears to be used as a term of affection? It is singularly like the Newcastle-on-Tyne word "Hinny," which is similarly used.—WYFOLD (Wyfold Grange, Reading).

Can any reader suggest an origin for "Tiptoe," which occurs as a place-name in Northumberland, and in at least one other English county?—BORDERER, Northumberland.

What has happened to "captain general"; and why is the "major-general" the junior and the "lieut.-general" the senior rank?—E. F. SYKES (Kotah, Rajputana).

Can any reader give cases where the figures of people still living appear in stained-glass windows? Bernard Shaw is in one in the Ethical Church at Bayswater. Is it not a fact that Mr. John Burns is in one in St. Paul's Cathedral?—W. KENT (Rhodesia Road, S.W.).

Will Townley Searle send his full address, as we have a letter for him?

HOTELS.

Continued from Page One.

Golf said the Colonel
TENNIS insisted Sir William. CROQUET reproved his lady. BOWLS rumbled the large Stockbroker. SQUASH barked the Major. BADMINTON fluted the famous actress. SWIMMING chuckled the young M.P. DANCING implored his fiancée. CINEMA grinned Smith Minor.
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PARLIAMENTARISM ON TRIAL.

By DR. KURT VON STUTTERHEIM
(London Correspondent of the "Berliner Tageblatt").

The twenty or more parties into which the German electorate is divided have, up to now, prevented the formation of strong majority governments. But for the sake of Germany these twenty parties were not separated from each other by such deep differences as to make the formation of groups impossible. For practical purposes Germany's parties reduced themselves more or less to three groups, a middle group, formed by the Centre Party (Roman Catholics) the People's Party (moderate Conservatives), and the Liberal Party or their new equivalent, the State Party, on whose right side the Nationalists of all shades, and on whose left the Socialists, took their seats. As no group succeeded in getting an absolute majority, the only way of forming a government proved to be a government of the middle group based on the help, or the neutrality, either of the right or of the left. The issue of half-a-dozen elections was nothing else but to decide if the centre government could rely on the parties of its left or of its right side. Whereas Stresemann ruled more or less with the help of the Socialists, the last government, although it was a centre government, depended on the Nationalists.

HOW PARTIES STAND.

Since the disappearance of Stresemann's powerful personality from German party politics very important changes have taken place. The Fascist movement, negligible for years, has gained a surprising ascendancy, whereas on the left of the Social Democrats (the German Labour Party) the Communist menace is growing. True, the Fascists do not call themselves by that name but by the rather misleading name "National Socialists," which in reality means 90 per cent. Nationalism touched by a tinge of Socialism, so far as high finance and Jewish property is concerned. For the rest the National Socialists, who delight in military display and parade of emblems and ensigns, are nothing but Fascists—without Mussolini, of whom the blue-frocked and feather-hatted Adolf Hitler is only a poor copy; just as the Communists are Communists without a Lenin or even a Stalin.

THE QUESTION AT ISSUE.

Will these extreme parties gain so many seats as to make a moderate government, or even a Parliamentary government, impossible? This is the main question to be answered by to-day's election. If not, no particular changes are to be expected in Germany's policy. But if, on the contrary, the extremists, who refuse to combine with anyone less Radical than themselves, gain such a strength as to render futile the combination of other groups, then a troublesome future is in store for Germany. In contrast to the old Nationalists, now split into a Conservative Party, very much on the lines of English Conservatism, and a more "die-hard" party, the new extremists may mean what they say. In foreign policy, it is true, they very probably would not live up to their programme. A few Nationalist gestures and an exchange of cordialities with the Hungarian, Austrian, and, perhaps, the Italian Fascists might be all which is to be expected on these lines. Their real attack would be launched on the home front, where the hatred of Parliamentary government is the rallying point of the right side's desperadoes.

A DEFECTIVE ELECTORAL SYSTEM.

Considering the long time it has taken other countries like France to get their Parliamentary system properly worked out and accepted by the bulk of the population, it is not astonishing that this system still has to fight for its life in Germany. Monarchical traditions for a thousand years cannot possibly be uprooted in a day or two, particularly by a system which arrived on the wings of defeat and had to accomplish such unpleasant tasks as the new republican Reichstag. Apart from that, the specific form of Germany's electoral law cannot be called a very happy one. In their endeavour to be as exact and scientific as Germans are supposed to be, the fathers of the Weimar Constitution produced an electoral system too true to be good. Their proportional representation gave the tiniest minorities their voice and prevented the formation of working majorities. Mammoth constituencies (60,000 votes for one seat) destroyed the personal connection between the member and his electorate, which, worst of all, does not vote for an individual but for a list. Besides the placing of the best seats in the hands of a party bureaucracy, this list deprives the German people and government of the bye-elections with all their barometrical value and the interest they arouse in the country's politics.

AIM OF THE FASCISTS.

The wrecking tactics of the Fascists aim at making impossible any Parliamentary party government and forcing the President to make use of Article 48 of the Weimar Constitution, which in emergency cases entitles the President to rule without Parliament. By establishing a dictatorship they hope to pave the way for their own dictatorship, and, ultimately, for the return of monarchy. To-day's elections must show if their chances are as big as they think. But, even in case of considerable Nationalist gains, there remains the common sense of the German people with which to reckon. True, this common sense has been tested heavily. Unemployment figures, practically the same as England's, in reality worse, considering Germany's impoverishment; the eternal struggle over the Budget, responsible also for this election; the ruin of the middle class and of a great part of the upper class, whose estates suffer from over-taxation, and whose younger sons are deprived of the army and its glories, have in to-day's Germany produced a state of despair hardly imaginable in more fortunate countries. In the years immediately following the war and the defeat everyone took his distress for granted. It was nearly as heroic to suffer then as it was during the war. To-day, when normal conditions are supposed to have returned, it is doubly hard to live an abnormal life, to which unemployment and poverty have reduced a great part of the German people.

But in spite of all these disappointments there is still a good amount of sober thinking in Germany. Many people take Locarno, the stabilisation of the mark, the escape from Bolshevism, the evacuation of the Rhineland, and the membership of the League for political achievements which prove the efficiency of the new Parliamentary government. Between them and the hot-heads of the right and of the left, who dream of the past or of the future instead of facing the facts of the present, to-day's electoral battle is raging.

Sir Henry Robinson, in his "Memories: Wise and Otherwise," told a good story of an Irish county council election. A candidate died a couple of days before polling day, and, having been nominated, his name remained on the ballot-papers. Many of the voters came to the poll after attending the funeral, and were surprised to find his name still on the ballot-papers. Some discussion ensued. One man said: 'Well, it would be a compliment to his wife to elect him.' Another remarked: "Well, anyway, he won't raise the rates on us." That clinched it, and the dead man was returned by a tremendous majority. The vacancy could not be filled for six months, as dead men cannot resign, and they had to wait that period before the seat could be declared vacant.

MEN, WOMEN, AND MEMORIES.

THE CROWN AND THE SUCCESSION — PRINCESS LICHNOWSKY — A POPULAR AMBASSADOR — THE PRIESTHOOD OF SCIENCE.

By ATTICUS.

The question of the titular precedence of the Duke of York's two little daughters may interest the constitutional lawyers and antiquarians. To the rest of us it seems of very small practical importance. A peerage descends to the next male heir, but if there are only heiresses it would have to be shared between them, and so goes into "abeyance." But can this rule apply to the succession to the Crown, which is not a peerage, and cannot go into abeyance? Supposing there should be no male heir to the Prince of Wales or any of his brothers, would the throne pass to the elder of the York princesses, or should it be occupied by both of them, so that there would be two Queens of England, as there used to be two kings in Sparta? It seems a rather absurd problem, and is very unlikely to arise, for there is plenty of time for princes to be born in the Royal line. However, since the point has been raised it might be as well to deal with it, either by an authoritative legal inquiry or by a short new Act of Settlement.

A MIXED ASSEMBLY.

The representatives of the Indian States at the Round-Table Conference will make an imposing group. Kashmir, Baroda, Hyderabad, Mysore, Bikaner, Patiala, Alwar—the very names have a ring about them; and some of their owners are highly important, distinguished, and capable personages. The principalities will speak with authority in the Conference. The numerous delegates from British India are a more varied lot, and it is not quite clear on what grounds some of them have been selected. There are a number of "moderate" Liberals, some of whom are not too moderate to have given considerable support to the Extremists. Gandhi and the Nehrus have not been invited, and would not come if they were asked. And I hope the great non-official European community in India will be grateful for the fact that they are allowed to send two representatives, not to mention an English barrister from Burma, and a leading member of that useful racial group whom the instructed call "Anglo-Indians" and the unenlightened "Eurasians." It looks as if there might be some "fine confused feeding" at this Table.

AT CARLTON HOUSE TERRACE IN 1914.

I see that an English translation of a new book by Princess Lichnowsky has just been issued. I shall turn to it with interest, if only to remind me of pleasant hours at the German Embassy, when Prince and Princess Lichnowsky presided there before the war. The ambassador and his wife were extremely popular with London society, and had many friends. They did not limit their hospitality to diplomatic, official, and aristocratic circles. The Princess, who had written poems and stories, was much interested in the literary movement and liked to see distinguished men of letters in her drawing-rooms; and the Prince tried to make himself acquainted with diverse phases of our social and intellectual life.

Both were gracious and agreeable personalities, and sincere believers in a close Anglo-German understanding. It was the tragedy of Prince Lichnowsky's career that his efforts were frustrated, and his English intimacies brought to an abrupt close, by the catastrophe of 1914. For this he was in no way consciously responsible. He had been kept in the dark as to the real aims and policy of the Prussian Foreign Office, and was intended to diffuse an atmosphere of friendliness and confidence in London, while the work of intrigue and espionage was being done behind his back by others.

A CONTRAST IN BEHAVIOUR.

I think I must have been one of the last non-official persons to see Lichnowsky before he left England. On the previous day, in that black closing week of July, 1914, I called at Carlton House Terrace and found the Ambassador sitting alone and in great dejection. I told him that though his country and mine must now be enemies I should remember, and so would many other English people, his courtesy, kindness, and good will. Lichnowsky, in a broken voice, assured me that he had never expected his mission could end so sorrowfully; and, in bidding me farewell, hoped that we should meet "in happier times."

We never did; but the next day, happening to be passing the Embassy door, I saw a small crowd of working people and others waiting for the Ambassador's departure. When the Prince came out some foolish person made an attempt to boo. He was instantly suppressed by the other spectators, who watched the party drive away in dignified silence. Later, when I heard of the insulting and disgraceful fashion in which the Allied diplomatists had been bundled out of Germany, I felt that we could at least give our opponents some lessons in manners. "You will always be fools, and we shall never be gentlemen," a cynical German is alleged to have observed to an English friend at this time.

A MASTER OF THE CONTE.

Mr. Frank Harris, now full of years, has recalled the stirring record of his exciting days in the Wild West of America half a century ago, when men shot at sight, and had to shoot straight. After that Mr. Harris had more adventures of a different kind in many countries, and became journalist, editor, author, dramatist, and highly "candid" commentator and autobiographer in London, Paris, and New York, before settling down peacefully by the blue waters of the Mediterranean.

He has now also republished his short stories, which are quite worth bringing before a generation too young to have read "Elder Conklin" and "Montes the Matador" when they appeared between thirty and forty years ago. They are two of the best things in this *genre* written by any living Englishman; and one always regretted that Mr. Harris became too much absorbed in other activities and occupations to follow this vein further. Had he done so we might have had an English Maupassant.

WITH THE PHILOSOPHERS.

There were many interesting papers read at the British Association meeting, but none, I think, of the epoch-making type, such as have been occasionally produced at these gatherings. Perhaps the most notable example was Tyndall's opening address at the Belfast meeting in 1874, which fluttered all the theological and scientific dovecots by its frankly materialistic and mechanistic conception of the Universe. One wonders what its author would have found to say to Bergson and Einstein and Sir Oliver Lodge! Then there was Sir William Crookes, at Bristol cheerfully informing the world that it would be dying of famine in thirty years' time because there would not then be corn enough to go round. The thirty years and more have passed, and though we suffer from many evils we do still contrive to obtain our daily bread.

Perhaps the next assembly, with General Smuts presiding, may give us something sensational. The General is not only a soldier, statesman, lawyer, and man of letters, but also a philosopher of extreme profundity. His book on "Holism and Evolution" is regarded with respect in the best metaphysical circles. There is, however, no truth in the report that a serious-minded golfer, misled by the word "holism," bought this learned volume in the hope that it might improve his putting.

THE NEW MYSTICISM.

Those scientists of the past had one great advantage over their successors. They spoke a language, and handled ideas, which the average intelligent person could comprehend. You might or you might not be convinced by Tyndall, Huxley and Darwin, but you could not fail to see exactly what they meant. Much otherwise is it with our latter-day physicists. They pass into a world into which the ordinary educated layman cannot follow them. Their conceptions are made up of a kind of mathematical mysticism. We have tried to get familiar with the idea of four dimensions; but the latest expert at Bristol the other day invited us to consider electrons in a space of *six* dimensions. He is quite a young professor, too! Heaven knows how many dimensions there may be by the time he has grown old! But, after all, it was a great mathematician who obliged us with "Alice in Wonderland."

"THE TOWN": MEN AND INTIMACIES

By "AUTOLYCUS."

Next Friday brings Lord Lloyd's 51st birthday. Possessed of the courage of his convictions to an unusual degree, and with a marked disability to suffer fools gladly, his is a strong personality. He was always intensely interested in Eastern affairs, and made his mark in the Parliament of 1910, in which he represented West Staffordshire. During the war he served in various sectors, and thereafter became Governor of Bombay, and in 1925 succeeded Viscount Allenby as High Commissioner for Egypt. At 51 it is safe to say that the last has not been heard of a man of such outstanding ability and ambition. Lady Lloyd, who was formerly a Maid of Honour to Queen Alexandra, is a cousin of the Earl of Harewood.

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The news of the sad death near Antwerp of Lady (Allan) Horne spread swiftly along the Riviera last Tuesday, and was everywhere received with real regret, for it is only a few short days ago that she was at every party at Antibes and Cannes. The last time I met her she was saying "au revoir" to her friends at a cocktail party—a gay, slim figure in her pale blue linen pyjamas—and little did anyone then foresee the terrible fate so soon in store for her.

Well-connected—her father was a son of the twelfth Earl of Kinnoull and her mother a daughter of the second Lord Grenville—and endowed with both charm and talent, Lady Horne had travelled widely, and had adventured in literature with no little success. Her travel sketches (signed "Auriol Barran"), which revealed keen observation and ready sympathy, found much favour with readers of the SUNDAY TIMES, and she had written short stories, both in French and English, and was the author of a play produced at the St. James's two years ago, with Miss Tallulah Bankhead in the title rôle. She was twice married—first to Capt. Noel Barran, of the 2nd Life Guards, who was killed in the war, and secondly to Sir Jas. Allan Horne, by whom she leaves a son.

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All forms of sport, indoor as well as outdoor, are being brought into international rivalry, the latest being Contract Bridge, the first "Test" match in which, England v. America, will commence at Almack's to-morrow. The States are to be represented by a team which has been in close association for several years, and claims to have been unbeaten for five, while the English quartet will consist of four well-known London players—Colonel Buller (captain), Mrs. Gordon Evers, Dr. Nelson Woodhill, and Mr. C. Kehoe. It may prove an interesting encounter, but its importance as a genuine international contest is very much to seek, for the Portland Club, the recognised authority on Bridge in this country, has neither arranged the match nor selected the English team, while its opposite number, the New York Whist Club, has expressly dissociated itself from both the "test" and the American representation.

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It is small wonder that Lady Barker feels many regrets at selling Burnt Stub, for this wonderful old house is one of the loveliest that I know. The whole place abounds in fascinating historical associations, and Queen Elizabeth and Oliver Cromwell are but two of the long list of famous people who have stayed there. It is either at Burnt Stub, or at Barwell Court, Chessington, Lady Barker's other country house, that I remember being shown a tree beneath whose ample shade Fanny Burney used to sit and write her memoirs. The merest mention of Lady Barker's name never fails to evoke feelings of gratitude and affection in the hundreds of ex-officers who found, first, companionship and recreation, and then very often a permanent job, through Kitchener House, the club that she started for them in Sloane Street. Lady Barker herself is always the first to deprecate all mention of her work, but it was entirely due to her unflagging enthusiasm and energy, coupled with a real understanding of the varied problems she was daily called upon to solve, that Kitchener House achieved all that she meant it to do—and more—in the difficult years following immediately after the war.

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A perfect epidemic of burglaries has set in during the last week or two. Mrs. Dudley Ward was the victim of one of the most daring thefts last week-end, since it appears that antique furniture and candelabra were calmly carried out of the front door in broad daylight. Two days earlier Mr. Charles Seligman, the banker, who lives in Kensington Palace Gardens, discovered that a large quantity of valuable silver had been stolen from the house at Maidenhead which he took for the summer from Mrs. Harvey du Cros. In this case the large dog which sleeps outside his master's bedroom door began barking and growling in the night, but Mr. Seligman attributed this to the heavy thunderstorm raging at the time and got up and let the dog into his room.

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A wide circle of former pupils, including several popular singers, will learn with regret of the sudden passing away of Herbert Sims Reeves, for many years Singing Professor at the Guildhall School of Music. Son of England's most famous tenor, resembling him in personal appearance, with a similar but less powerful voice, he was much handicapped by these very distinctions, for critics would not admit that he ranked anywhere near his world-renowned father. Yet Mr. Francesco Berger, the veteran musician and composer, who accompanied most of the great Victorian singers, asserted in a recent article that such artistic interpretations and such perfect vocalisation as Herbert Sims Reeves possessed are but rarely found in the same individual.

Sims Reeves himself was once billed for the "Miserere" scena from "Il Trovatore." Here the soprano heroine has the stage all to herself, the tenor singing "off." Next day the Press critics said Reeves was magnificent. But an attack of gout in the throat, a complaint that harassed the great tenor all down his career, suddenly incapacitated him, standing at the stage wing; and it was Herbert, alongside of his father, who had sung and thrilled the audience.

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Among those who will be present at the centenary celebration of the Manchester and Liverpool Railway will be Mr. W. F. Lawrence, for many years M.P. for the Abercromby division of Liverpool, whose grandfather was the first chairman of the company. Since his retirement from Parliament Mr. Lawrence's sight has entirely failed him, but he has not permitted the loss to interrupt his activities in the administration of his estate at Whiteparish, near Salisbury, and is one of the most cheery of octogenarians.

DEVELOPMENTS IN INDUSTRY.

INCREASED OUTPUT.

REDUCED EMPLOYMENT.

By HAROLD COX.

Among the papers read at the recent meeting of the British Association one of the most interesting was Professor Gregory's address on the relation between rationalisation and unemployment. The country has heard a great deal about rationalisation of late, and the general opinion undoubtedly is that it is a necessary condition of our industrial progress, and, indeed, of the maintenance of our existing trade. On the other hand it has to be recognised that rationalisation may, at any rate temporarily, increase unemployment. This is the point which Professor Gregory carefully examined in his well-balanced address. He puts the matter very concisely in the following sentence: "We are face to face with the curious result that one of the most popular of all remedies for unemployment may in itself be one of the causes producing the evil for which a remedy is to be found."

There is no escape from this proposition. Not only does rationalisation mean improved methods of production in particular factories, but it also means cutting out altogether the less efficient factories or units of production. Both proceedings must tend to reduce the amount of labour required to secure a given output. Further still, there is the important fact that where, as is happening at present, the existing output exceeds the world's demand, many schemes are in progress for restricting output either by agreement between different producers or by closing works.

CLOSING DOWN WORKS.

Quite recently a new organisation was called into being to deal with this question in connection with shipbuilding. During the war our shipbuilding capacity was greatly expanded to provide warships not only but also merchant shipping. We are building many fewer warships to-day, and also, owing to various causes, we need fewer merchant ships. To meet the situation this new organisation, called National Shipbuilders' Security, Ltd., has just been buying up a big shipbuilding yard in Scotland to close it down. It is preparing to close two other yards shortly. In the cotton trade similar arrangements are being made for closing down superfluous factories, and several of our coal mines are being closed. All this necessarily means a reduction of employment, and naturally enough the representatives of labour are feeling considerable anxiety at the present situation. The trouble is that there seems to be no escape from this rationalisation movement.

To take Professor Gregory's illustration, we are not a little group of people living like Robinson Crusoe and supporting ourselves entirely with our own labour. We are dependent for our existence on our world trade, and if other countries are beginning to cut us out by improved methods of production, we must also improve our methods or we shall be left behind. In other words, though rationalisation may itself diminish employment, it prevents a greater diminution which would certainly take place if our industries did not prepare themselves to face world competition.

NEW INDUSTRIES.

Therefore, we must regard rationalisation as inevitable and as likely progressively to extend. This progressive improvement in the methods of production necessarily reduces the manual labour required to produce the goods that the world at present wants. In some cases the situation is met by an expansion of the world's demand. Notably this is the case with the motor industry. Here we have a fairly modern invention which appeals to the taste of the multitude, with the result that there is still, and seems likely to be for some years to come, a constantly expanding demand for motor-cars, and the more cheaply they are produced the more is the demand likely to grow. In addition, the cheapness of what may be called standard articles enables the consumer to spend more money on other things. A very large section of the human race desires something of an individual character with æsthetic qualities of design. Therefore, we may reasonably hope that, as improved machinery cheapens standard products, the balance of purchasing power available for the consumer will be used for buying high-quality articles which require the specialised skill of the manual worker. If so, the labour displaced by the machine may be diverted to the production of articles of special character appealing to individual taste.

The trouble, however, is that labour, at any rate in Great Britain, is not very mobile. Partly as the result of trade union regulations, workmen find it difficult to shift from one industry to another, and, unfortunately, the national insurance system, instead of being used to stimulate the mobility of labour, mainly has the effect of tempting the workman to "stay put" in his own trade and draw the dole. One superficially obvious remedy for the growth of unemployment owing to the improved processes of manufacture is emigration; but, unfortunately, at the present time the Dominions themselves are suffering from unemployment. Here, again, machinery comes into the picture. Machine methods of cultivation have in the past few years made very great progress, with the result that on prairie lands a very large output of wheat can be secured with very little human labour.

EXCESSIVE TAXATION.

Looking at the problem exclusively from our own national point of view, it is satisfactory to see that the Association of British Chambers of Commerce have recently been drawing attention to the important bearing of taxation on the efficiency of our industries. England finds herself to-day more heavily taxed than any of the countries with whom she is in industrial competition. The figures given for taxation per head of population are as follows:—

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The extraordinary high rate of taxation in the United Kingdom is not by any means solely due to the still heavy incidence of the cost of the war. On the contrary, in the last few years taxation has been steadily increasing, not as the result of war expenditure, but as a result of the expenditure of all our political parties on such services as labour exchanges, unemployment insurance, widows' pensions, elementary education, road-making, and so on. Much of this money ought to have been used as capital for improving the equipment of our industries; we should then have had a better chance than is now available to us for meeting the competition of other countries in our markets abroad. Unfortunately, though most of our politicians are willing to make speeches urging the importance of public economy, when it comes to practical details not one of our three political parties takes any effective step to reduce the present excessive burden of taxation.

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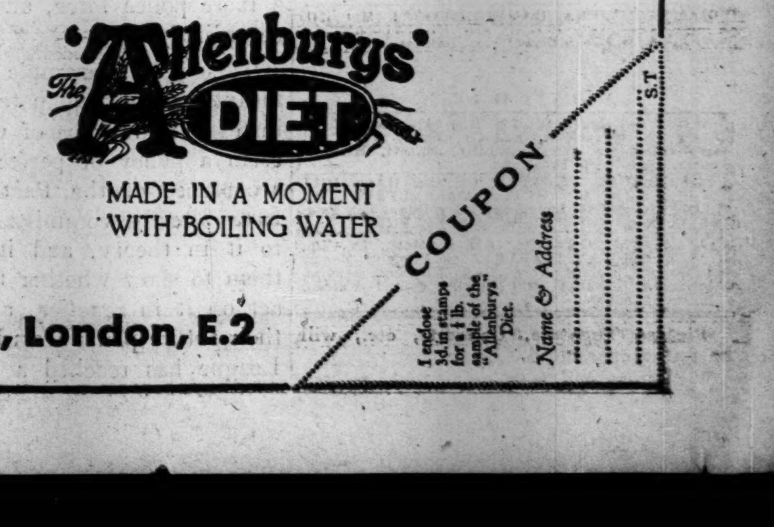

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IS IT PEACE?

In his speech to the League Assembly at Geneva Mr. Henderson indulged in some meritoriously straight speaking. If the straight speaking is followed up in the League by straight thinking and straight action, Europe and the world may have cause to thank him. The burden of his argument was this: Europe has waited long enough for a real move towards Disarmament. In accepting Article 8 of the Covenant the nations accepted the obligation to disarm just as surely as they accepted other obligations. It is time that something were done. Eleven years have elapsed, but the obligation to disarm still stands unhonoured, and until it is honoured there can be no true peace.

Great Britain will therefore base her policy on the effort to secure real disarmament. That is to say, in accepting the new instruments designed to strengthen the Covenant in regard to security, the British Government will make its acceptance dependent on a genuine measure of disarmament. Disarmament must cease to be a pious phrase and must become a living reality. This country has made very notable contributions to the cause of Limitation on its own account: it is now for other nations to follow suit and give proof of their sincerity. There must be an end of the mentality that regards Security as the first essential, with Disarmament following as a corollary. The very opposite is the truth. The only way to Security is *through* Disarmament. Armies presuppose the probability of war and make not for Security but for Insecurity. *Si vis pacem, para pacem*—this must be the amended motto.

This is excellent as far as it goes, and badly needed saying. It was time someone with authority at the League told the nations without mincing words how far removed are their acts from their pretensions. Not only has Article 8 hung fire in a way that offers a dangerous excuse to those who may wish to repudiate other articles of the Covenant or the Treaties of Peace; there has since been signed by most of the nations of the world the Kellogg Pact, by which every signatory has solemnly renounced war as an international instrument. War, then, if their promises mean anything, has ceased to be a probability of the future. And yet, with certain honourable exceptions, the world continues to arm.

The truth is that what is required is a complete change of outlook. Europe and the world are still thinking wrongly; despite the Covenant, and still more the Pact, they continue to think in terms of war instead of in terms of peace. As Mr. Wickham Steed points out today in his despatch from Geneva, the logical result of the Kellogg Pact—if it means anything—is to make national armaments instruments of peace instead of instruments of war. According to the Pact, war is outlawed. Therefore, any nation that resorts to war is likewise outlawed, and the other signatories to the Pact are under obligation to bring the fact home to it. Neutrality is thus, so to speak, abolished; armaments become a mere police force, and can be cut accordingly.

This is an example of what is meant by thinking in terms of peace instead of in terms of war. It may seem a policy of perfection, but by acceptance of the Pact the nations have already committed themselves to it in theory, and it is now for them to show whether they mean to act on it in practice, and formulate their future plans accordingly. The League has reached a critical stage of its career. It was formed to promote the work of peace; it has done much, but its greatest task still lies before it—to make peace certain through disarmament. The Disarmament Conference, so long postponed, must meet next year, and when it meets it must set to work in the full spirit of the Pact. Can it do this? Does the world honestly mean to outlaw war; or is it content to pass a number of pious resolutions and go on in the same old way? This is the question that the next twelve months must answer, and it is big with fate for civilisation. Nobody supposes it will be easy; nobody would lightly prophesy success. But if even the willingness to try is absent, then the alternative for the world is plain.

GERMANY'S CHOICE.

To-day's general election in Germany is large with destiny for the Reich. Not since the Republic began has a more critical test of national opinion been taken. The world depression has reacted on Germany, as on most other countries, with acute severity, and has produced a rich harvest of discontent and unrest. The last Parliament was dissolved by the President in an atmosphere of dangerous uncertainty; its refusal to pass the financial resolutions necessary to rescue the Reich from economic chaos compelled Marshal von Hindenburg to enforce them by decree; and when the Reichstag broke up the country was loud with murmurings against the failure of Parliamentary institutions.

In the interval the regrouping of parties has led to some interesting possibilities, in particular the hope that the views of the younger generation may obtain a more adequate and worthy representation in the new loose combination of parties of a Liberal complexion. It will be instructive to see how these fare; but the strong probability is, according to most observers, that the parties of the extreme Right—the Fascist National Socialists of Herr Hitler and the Nationalists under the lamentable Herr Hugenberg—will considerably strengthen their positions. If this should turn out to be so, it will confirm the belief that disappointment with Parliamentary government has produced a heavy reaction in favour of more direct methods. Outside influences have played their part in this reaction as well. The failure of the Treaty signatories to disarm has greatly strengthened the Nationalist cause in Germany.

When it is realised that parties which, between them, advocate in their programmes such extreme policies as the return of the Monarchy and Treaty repudiation are said to speculate on a joint return of some 200 members, it will be seen how considerable is the extremist reaction. Events may utterly belie their calculations, but it seems certain that, whatever happens, the new representation of these elements will not be negligible. The German people, however, are steady-going and sensible, and know which side their bread is buttered. The majority are unlikely to be stampeded in favour of wildly impracticable policies. If the Chancellor, Dr. Bruning, can effect an agreement with the Socialists, it is possible that the joint representation his following and theirs will obtain to-day will be large enough to enable him to form another Government and proceed on the course of financial steadiness he has already wisely set himself. This will be better for Germany and for Europe than a relapse into negative nationalism.

ARGENTINA.

The revolution in the Argentine came as a surprise to most British people, and it is a matter for much satisfaction that the loss in life and property has been so slight. There are few foreign countries in which we take such a deep interest as in Argentina. In the development of the Republic since it was formed British brains and capital have played a notable part, and on business as well as sentimental grounds we would regret to see anything happening calculated to mar the prosperity of that great country.

We have no desire to meddle with the internal affairs of the Argentine or to criticise her domestic policies; that is purely a matter for the people themselves. We are hopeful that what has happened will in no way lessen security in one of the most enlightened and progressive South American republics. Indeed, the best augury of this is to be found in the character of the revolution itself. Any lives that were lost were more the result of misunderstanding than of a desire for shedding blood. Our earnest wish is that all angry feelings may quieten down, and that Argentina may go ahead with her work as if nothing had happened. We are all looking forward to March next, when the British Industries Exhibition will be opened in Buenos Aires by the Prince of Wales. It will be an open sign of the part Britain has played in developing the vast resources of Argentina, and we are hopeful it will result in increasing benefits to both countries.

There have been three revolutions—or perhaps it would be more accurate to say revolts—in South America recently, and in each case it seems to have been against the rule of one man. Anything in the form of a dictatorship is unpopular in the Southern American continent. Señor Irigoyen, who was a sort of hero to his people seven years ago, lost his popularity by practising the part of a recluse. Those who desire to rule a democracy must keep in intimate touch with the people.

THE SHAMROCK.

All international sporting contests have a wide appeal, but the series of yacht races, of which the first was decided yesterday off Rhode Island, between the American Enterprise and Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock V., has a special attraction of its own. This is not merely because the English people love ships and the sea, and have an instinctive appreciation of the grace and splendour of a racing yacht under full canvas; it is also because of the peculiar circumstances that surround this match and one at least of the personalities engaged in it. Thirteen previous attempts have been made to wrest the America's Cup from the United States since first the America won it from English vessels in the Solent in 1851, and every one of them has been unsuccessful. By now, therefore, the task of winning it back has become almost a national duty. If that were not enough, there would be the sporting spirit of Sir Thomas Lipton to arouse and sustain popular enthusiasm.

There is something particularly appealing about the single-minded devotion with which this genial veteran has pursued the trophy which he has characteristically christened "the elusive old pot." Some measure of the public's appreciation of his courage and optimism is to be found in the esteem and popularity which he undoubtedly enjoys on both sides of the Atlantic. There are said to be many even in America who would like to see Shamrock win; and this not only because it is felt to be Britain's turn to be successful, but even more because it is felt that Sir Thomas's doggedness should not go unrewarded.

Five times now he has made the challenge. As long ago as 1898 he began, and to-day, at the age of 80, he is trying again. He has, in Mr. Nicholson, a designer second to none, and it is felt that under the new rules the fifth of the Shamrock dynasty has a better chance than any of her ancestors. She has had to cross the Atlantic, and had a severe buffeting on the voyage, but otherwise the conditions are equal. Whichever boat proves successful when the series has been completed, both by then should have been fully tested for speed and seaworthiness, and the better boat should have won.

THE FILM INDUSTRY.

The film monopoly which America has enjoyed for some years seems in process of dissolution. An early starter, with unlimited capital, the industry at Hollywood was able for a time to bid defiance to other countries. Britain, France, and Germany were seriously handicapped when they first entered into competition with America, but after many costly mistakes they began to catch up with their older rival. It was not until three years ago that the controllers of the film industry at Hollywood began to get apprehensive. The decline in receipts was the first sign that the monopoly was in danger, and although large sums of money were spent in advertising films, it was impossible to induce the public to patronise them as formerly. The novelty had worn off, and people spurned the poor pictures which Hollywood turned out with mechanical regularity.

By this time alarm began to spread, and it was felt that some dramatic step must be taken to stop the rot that had set in. The American film magnates decided to introduce the talking film, and, as in the case of the silent films, all went well for a time. The world was flooded with the new pictures, and the box receipts grew in a most agreeable manner. Again the novelty has worn off in America, where the people feel that the goods Hollywood has to offer are poor in quality and limited in design. With the breakdown of the American monopoly other countries will have a better chance of developing a film industry on national lines. No two countries have similar tastes, and in the matter of providing entertainment a world monopoly is out of the question. Britain has all the qualities necessary for establishing a film industry on a firm basis. Whether the talking or the silent film will predominate time alone will show: perhaps, as usual, we shall take the middle course, for the camera and the microphone have great potentialities.

RAILWAY DEVELOPMENT.

The centenary of probably the greatest of all revolutions wrought by applied science was celebrated yesterday under the auspices of the London Midland and Scottish Railway. A hundred years ago the Liverpool and Manchester Railway was opened before an enormous gathering of people, who witnessed the alarming spectacle of stage coaches dashing along the rails at the breakneck speed of thirty miles an hour. What Manchester and Liverpool did that day, England did on the morrow, and the country was in an amazingly short space of time linked up with a network of railways. It was the beginning of a new era. All the advances of modern transport have sprung from this, which first made an immobile population mobile.

It is the custom when events of this kind are celebrated to indulge in unrestricted congratulation. It is possible, however, to read into the history of a hundred years of railway development and the position of the railways to-day a message of warning as well as of encouragement. Thanks to the enterprise of the L.M.S., the festival was made properly representative of the development of transport and communication in all its manifestations. The motor-car and the aeroplane are now with us to challenge the supremacy of the railways; and the existence of their formidable and growing competition should act as a spur to the imaginations of our railway directors, to make certain that the next century of railway history will be as remarkable for enterprise as that which has just closed.

CHANGING LONDON.

Once more American hustle has given us the lead. The idea of Cotswolds cottages and Elizabethan manor houses being shipped across the Atlantic and set up in the purlieus of Main Street has grown familiar; now we are promised a little monument-moving of our own. The Nelson column, it is suggested, might be removed from Trafalgar Square and set up again in Portsmouth.

> When a man is tired of London [said Dr. Johnson] he is tired of life; for there is in London all that life can afford.

Not for long, if the scene-shifting idea takes hold. We may wake up one day to find St. Paul's has gone for a trip to Clacton-on-Sea Westminster Abbey, again, would look well at Margate. Indeed, we have circulating libraries, and circulating picture galleries have been suggested; why not a system of circulating monuments? "Criccieth to-day and Lossiemouth to-morrow" might well be the motto of a travelling House of Commons.

EUROPE AND PEACE.

ABORTIVE DISCUSSION AT GENEVA.

THE LEAGUE IN THE DUMPS.

By Wickham Steed.

The League Assembly is in the dumps. It doesn't quite know what ails it, but feels sorry for itself and out of sorts. M. Briand, its chief wizard-doctor, has failed to give it his usual tonic, and it has little faith in other physicians. It mopes and holds its heavy head.

An eminent British critic wrote years ago that the organic weakness of the League lay in its being a League of Governments rather than a League of Peoples. Never has this stricture been more palpably true than it is this year. In the past the presence of responsible Prime Ministers or Foreign Secretaries as leaders of the National Delegations has seemed to bestow a high degree of corporate authority upon its annual confabulations. To-day the drawbacks of official shackles upon thought and word are more apparent, and this Assembly looks like the imperfect coagulation of half a hundred official stiffnesses.

Why? Chiefly because the delegates have relapsed into the bad old habit—excusable before the ratification of the Kellogg Pact; inexcusable now—of conceiving peace solely in terms of preventing war, not in terms of creating a new basis for warless civilisation. Thus their outlook tends to become negative; and as they weigh chances of doing anything better than stave off war by the only methods they think officially practicable, their hearts slip down into their boots and their heads ache.

Symptoms of coming trouble appeared at last Monday's meeting of twenty-seven European delegations to consider M. Briand's plan for the Federation of Europe. In a circular memorandum to the European Governments last May M. Briand spoke of setting up a special European organisation alongside the League on the strength of a "European Pact" which was to be primarily political. The answers of most European Governments insisted on the importance of economic union and the necessity of keeping any new arrangement strictly within and under the control of the League, the British answer being the most outspoken.

A Delicate Position.

M. Briand looked upon Monday's meeting as a sort of "European conference"; Mr. Henderson and others thought its only task was to decide the manner of referring the federation scheme to the Assembly. After a lively debate, M. Briand declined to bring the scheme before the Assembly unless he was unanimously authorised to do so. The other twenty-six delegations then passed a resolution declaring that the European States believed their union of capital importance for the maintenance of peace, and requested M. Briand to be their spokesman in the Assembly.

Thus M. Briand got unanimity of form without unanimity of substance. His original proposal for a distinct European organisation with a political "European pact" was dead. Was he to stand sponsor for its ghost or to try to reincarnate the idea of a European federation in another body?

This position was delicate. In Paris some of his dear colleagues were eager to clip his wings. The Presidential election is due next spring, and M. Briand may be a candidate. The Nationalists abhor his "pacifist" tendencies, and any setback to his plans at Geneva will be grist to their mill. On the other hand, persistence in advocating a political pact will certainly arouse British opposition.

Two Alternatives.

In this predicament M. Briand had the choice of two alternatives. One was to proclaim his utter loyalty to the League, the whole League, and nothing but the League, and with a light toe to tread the mazy measure so as to trample on nobody's corns. The other was to go ahead, careless of personal consequences in proclaiming a constructive conception of European peace—political, economic, and social—and speaking so as to make himself the true and not merely the formal leader of twenty-seven European nations, if not of the entire League.

He followed the former less heroic, though perhaps cannier course. He took fifty minutes to say with unconvincing redundance what he might have said convincingly in five. He trod like a barefoot wanderer on a path bestrewn with thorns. No new idea, no new tone—save one—lent distinction to his discourse. Accustomed to hang on his lips, his hearers gazed hither and thither and conversed in undertones. He went up to the platform amid a resounding ovation, but thin applause, marking polite disappointment, accompanied him back to his seat.

His one new tone was impassioned, almost melodramatic, and its effect was an anti-climax. "Despite the dark hours, despite the cold shivers of anxiety," he said, "I am personally determined to push forward, and as long as I am where I am there will be no war. I will not admit that war should again be let loose upon mankind." Hundreds in his vast audience reflected: "Does naught save Briand's tenure of the French Foreign Office stand between mankind and war? Are the prospects of peace indeed so frail?"

What Might Have Been.

Notwithstanding all allowances for personal and political embarrassments, M. Briand's speech plunged the Assembly into a fit of depression, from which it has not yet recovered. Nobody doubted, nobody doubts his faith in or devotion to the League. Everybody knows what he has done for it and for peace. The appeasement of Europe is largely his work. The Assembly expected of him not a laboured self-defence, but leadership through the sombre hours and over the rough places that lie ahead.

He might have proclaimed the union of Europe as the ultimate goal. He might have denounced the cry for revision of the Peace Treaties as an attempt to throw the public law of the world into chaos. He might have urged the need for impartial scientific inquiry into every legitimate claim for the redress of manifest injustices and for the removal of causes of international ill-feeling. He might have insisted that under the Kellogg Pact there is one absolute principle, and one only: that whatever readjustments may be expedient or righteous, war shall not be the means of bringing them about. He might even have welcomed the suggestion, which has been carefully worked out at Geneva, and laid before him, that members of the League as such and as signatories of the Kellogg Pact shall devote, under the auspices of the League, one-thousandth part of their military and naval expenditure to scientific research into questions inimical or incidental to a civilisation of peace. To this end he might have proposed that a European Institute of Warless Research be set up to work on lines not unlike those followed by the admirable Institute of Pacific Relations, which has succeeded during the past five or six years in taking the sting out of the most venomous problems of the Pacific Ocean. But he seemed to care for none of these things, and left the Assembly and the world outside without the guidance or inspiration for which they were anxiously waiting.

Mr. Henderson's Pronouncement.

By comparison, Mr. Henderson, who followed him, stood forth as a man of valour. His speech, of which every word was read, whereas M. Briand had spoken without a note, went home. Yet it deepened instead of dispelling the gloom.

Mr. Henderson's main thesis—arbitration and disarmament as a means of security—sounded like an antithesis to the underlying contention of France, which is that security must precede disarmament. He made Herr Stresemann's old claim his own by declaring that the League would fail of its purpose and in its duty unless armaments were reduced according to Article Eight of the Covenant; and he rubbed it in mercilessly, almost menacingly, by adding "security is impossible if competitive military preparations continue as they are continuing to-day. In our judgment the whole system of the Covenant rests on that. Therefore, in accepting new instruments designed to complete or strengthen the machinery of the Covenant on the side of security, we shall insert conditions that our acceptance of such measures shall only become effective when on the other side disarmament has ceased to be a mere phrase and has become a reality. . . . Of all security measures disarmament is in itself the most important."

This passage, which has been hailed with joy in Berlin, smote ominously upon not a few ears in the Assembly. How can the chances of peace and disarmament be other than doubtful—many a delegate reflected—if France and England disagree? Can France be coerced into disarming? Surely this is not a method of peace? Indeed, Mr. Henderson's speech sounded polemical rather than conciliatory. It was an excellent piece of special pleading, but it failed to touch the root of things. Like so many British utterances at Geneva in the past, it stopped short of the awkwardest facts.

The Real Crux.

The awkwardest fact of the disarmament problem is that no Government has yet dared officially to define the true functions of national armaments as instruments of peace. Fifty-five nations have solemnly renounced war. Therefore, unless they all signed the Kellogg Pact with dishonourable mental reservations, they live in a warless world. What are the true functions of armies and navies in a warless world? Evidently they are police functions in the service of international law, from which the right to make war for national purposes has been expunged.

The abolition of the right to wage national war abolishes the right to neutrality. It is true that the United States has not yet recognised this irrefutable conclusion. But must European disarmament therefore wait upon the formal decision of the United States to act up to the spirit of the Kellogg Pact, or will the European nations take the risk of implementing the renunciation of war on their own account, and of leaving the United States to disavow them to its own eternal discredit? This was the fundamental question which Mr. Henderson failed to face, but which was present in the minds of his ablest hearers. Till it is faced, with or without the express assent of the United States, there will be no serious disarmament in Europe, and England and France may pursue divergent paths to the dire peril of the peace of the world.

A Pertinent Question.

Till it is faced, General Hertzog may well say, as he told the Assembly yesterday in a pungent speech, "In its anxiety, South Africa is beginning to think of asking Europe: How much more armament? And when the question is put I am afraid that Europe will necessarily stand embarrassed, not knowing what answer to make."

General Hertzog will get no answer from this Assembly or from Europe unless some Government or some nation takes its courage in both hands and dares be bold for peace.

Meanwhile it is hard not to adapt Kipling's lines—also from South Africa—and aver that:—

> The sun of Geneva is pale
> And the air of Geneva is stale,
> And there's something gone small with the lot.

The Flowery Fields.

By R. H. MOTTRAM.

Up in the flowery fields, before the cattle gather,
Before the scythe is laid to the blossoming thyme-strewn grass,
While white-robed cherry trees dance out the spring-time weather,
Where, long ago, the children played, to play, now, children pass.

The sky has powdered down its rainbows on the meadow,
The birds sing to the children, the streams laugh as they flow,
Wading in sunlit dew beneath the swallows' shadow
The children play where children played in times so long ago.

The scythe must come to the grass, the cattle to the clover,
The sky must weep, with clouds on singing birds, dismayed,
The stream in the runnel dry, and early spring be over
Till once more children play where, long ago, these children played.

CHRISTIANITY.

A CREED FOR HEROES*

DEAN INGE'S TESTAMENT

By J. D. BERESFORD.

In the days of the early ascetics of the Christian Church, when asceticism was practised on the principle of an uninstructed "Yoga," and a man who devoted himself to this form of saintship cut himself off from the congregation, religion was regarded by these devotees as a call to self-immolation by the fierce discipline of the flesh. Modern psychology not less than the modern temper has condemned this attitude, and even in India the particular Yoga that corresponds most nearly to this form of Early Christian asceticism is falling into disrepute Yet, if the practice of self-torture is now regarded as barbaric and useless, the animating principle that found vent in such a distorted expression still burns as brightly as ever, and the spirit of it informs all the earlier chapters of Dean Inge's examination of the Christian ethic.

The great problem for him, as for any other thoughtful man of marked intellectual ability, is to reconcile the needs of the exceptional individual and the crowd. The former will inevitably find his own satisfaction. The latter must be confined by some code, and "Christianity," writes Dean Inge, "has won its great success by imposing on society generally a code of conduct which was devised in the interest of inferior types." Nevertheless, it is very plainly to be inferred from his examination of the Ethics of the New Testament that for himself the mere acceptance of a code is insufficient. "Christianity, faithfully presented, is a creed for heroes," he writes, and underlines that a few pages later by pointing out that "the typical form of Christ's exhortation is not 'Do this and abstain from that,' but 'Be a person of such and such a character.'"

THE INFERIOR TYPES.

From just such a separation of principles it was that the old way of asceticism derived. The creed for heroes, the exhortation to be such and such a character, led logically enough from one point of view to the excesses of self-immolation. But the modern way, Dean Inge's way, is that of reconciliation; and with a certain effect of speaking *ex cathedrâ*, he has by way of testament (he tells us that this is the last considerable book he will ever write) sought to apply that heroic Christian ethic to certain modern problems.

In doing this he necessarily exposes a personal attitude towards the crowd of "inferior types" for which he would prescribe, thereby affording, perhaps, sufficient justification for a certain nickname earned in the last few years. He does not, it is true, regard the world as did on one occasion that most famous predecessor in his own office, as "fragmentary rubbidge," nor suggest that "he honors it too much that thinkes it nought." But he leaves us with the impression that he has no great faith in the effects of his counsel, which occupies, indeed, but a relatively small proportion of his work, and comes less as a *sequitur* from the scholarly historical examinations of precedent which anticipate it than as a determined effort to modify the heroic ethic for the use of those incapable of the great sacrifice.

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE.

In this he may be considered by the orthodox as, at times, daringly latitudinarian, even if he lacks the robust radicalism of the Dean of Canterbury. In the matter of divorce, for example, after a slightly fastidious inquiry into one or two sexual problems, he suggests that divorce should be allowed on various grounds in addition to conjugal infidelity to those who content themselves with a civil marriage. For the true Christian who, by virtue of his professed creed, acknowledges the sanctity and indissolubility of the marriage vow no such latitude should be allowed.

There are, no doubt, many admirable points in this suggestion, which ought to be acceptable to the Anglo-Catholics; but in practice it introduces a third category into Dean Inge's implied classification between the heroes and the crowd, for whom he would devise a code. This new type represents the half-heroes, those who have not sufficient courage for martyrdom, but seek within their limitations to live acceptably to the Church's will. The difficulty, from a merely civil point of view, would arise from the liability of youth—a liability so closely associated with the ardours of first love—to choose for the religious marriage and the indissoluble vow, with the subsequent backsliding that is all too familiar a feature of descent from the high places of the imagination. Moreover, how should we administer justice in those cases—and they would be many—in which one partner maintained the resolves proper to the half-hero when the other had fallen from grace? It seems, indeed, that Dean Inge's solution might add to rather than diminish our difficulties in this connection.

A CONCESSION TO WEAKNESS.

In other relations, too, he is inclined to pander to our weaknesses, sometimes on economic grounds. In the matter of birth-control, for example, which he is "unable to censure . . when practised by married persons," he bases his argument on a revised Malthusianism, influenced in part by the consideration that the lowest physical types in the community have the largest families. That is, indeed, a problem for the Eugenist which deserves increasing attention, but Dean Inge, after posing some of the more drastic remedies, avoids a positive pronouncement. Beyond these, other modern problems touched upon are suicide—which he does not wholly condemn for others, though admitting his own distaste for that particular form of shirking responsibility—and war.

THE ONLY WAY.

Finally, although a summary of such a book as this is almost impossible, we are left with the feeling that the author has condescended too greatly to our weakness. "I have been taught much by such modern thinkers as Eucken, Otto, and especially Troeltsch," he writes in his last chapter. "These men see clearly that we need a new type of Christianity, more ethical, more mystical, and less dogmatic than the traditional forms." But, personally, I should have honoured the present work more deeply if Dean Inge had set before the world a higher ideal than he seems to advocate for the common people, whether of high or low estate, that make up the mass of society. I would sooner that he had boldly castigated us held up that beautiful ethic of the New Testament as a flaming beacon, and told us that the "creed for heroes" was the only way of salvation.

* "Christian Ethics and Modern Problems." By W. R. Inge, K.C.V.O., D.D. (Hodder and Stoughton. 15s.)

SHAMROCK V. BEATEN IN HER FIRST RACE.

PLUCKY STRUGGLE AGAINST ADVERSE CONDITIONS.

ENTERPRISE LEADS ALL THE WAY.

VICTORY BY 2 MIN. 50 SEC. IN INITIAL CONTEST FOR AMERICA'S CUP.

Sir Thomas Lipton's yacht, Shamrock V., was beaten yesterday by the American Enterprise, in her first race for the America's Cup. The sailing times for the contest were:—

ENTERPRISE ... 4 hours 5 minutes
SHAMROCK ...... 4 hours 7 minutes 50 seconds.

The destination of the America's Cup, for which Sir Thomas Lipton is making his fifth bid, is to be decided by four races out of seven. In this initial contest conditions are held to have been more suitable for the defender than the challenger.

Enterprise crossed the line first and led throughout the race. At the half-way mark she was over two minutes ahead, and although Shamrock, by skilful manœuvring, succeeded in reducing the lead, she was outpaced on the return as on the outward stretch.

Shamrock acquitted herself well under adverse conditions, and there were frequent cheers from the thousands of spectators who followed the course, for the dogged persistency with which she hung on, although outpaced.

The start of the race was considerably delayed as a consequence of the unfavourable weather. At the time the race should have started heavy fog prevailed.

MECHANISM versus MAN-POWER.

By the "Sunday Times" Special Correspondent ***PERCY BULLEN***

NEWPORT, RHODE ISLAND, Saturday.

To-day has been by far the most exciting and important in the history of Newport, Rhode Island—the American Cowes. Yacht racing, apart from the fifteenth race for the Cup and the fifth effort of Sir Thomas Lipton to lift that coveted trophy, has a special significance because of the extraordinarily popular enthusiasm aroused for the challenger.

This feeling was evidenced early to-day, when a band paraded the town with hundreds of followers bearing banners, inscribed, "Good Luck to the Prince of Sportsmen." Naturally enough the syndicates which built four defenders, their crews, and the 100 per cent. patriots—people who want America to win first, last, and all the time—are cheering for Enterprise, but the average citizen of the United States, meaning the honest-to-goodness plain folk—in other words, the vast majority of the population—are genuinely desirous that Sir Thomas should at last attain the greatest ambition of his career as a sportsman.

Anglo-American Comradeship.

Since the day when Lord Dunraven made the charge that ballast had been dishonestly added to the American yacht, and later dishonestly removed—that breezeless day of September 7, 1895—there has been for many years a marked chilliness between the American and British crews competing for the Cup. All that has been changed of late, and for the good feeling of comradeship which now exists Sir Thomas Lipton's courage, tenacity, and cheerfulness in defeat are sufficient reasons.

Three hundred vessels, big and small, a princely flotilla of pleasure craft, carried their owners to sea to-day to witness the greatest spectacle that yacht racing has to offer. Society was there, great names which carry vast fortunes, and they came on board famous yachts from all parts of the Atlantic seaboard. Some came from as far South as the Gulf of Mexico and Florida, and quite a fleet from the State of Maine.

Alongside General Cornelius Vanderbilt's Winchester rode a little 38-ft. yawl that had been sailed down West Falmouth, Massachusetts, by a quartet of sunburned youngsters in dirty white ducks.

The green Shamrock V. and the slim, white Enterprise were early astir. Sir Thomas Lipton was around soon after daybreak, and long before breakfast was listening to messages of goodwill which came to him by wire and cable literally from all parts of the world. Some Senatorial reports were published in New York early in the week declaring that Sir Thomas was far from well, and stating quite openly that he showed no concern in the forthcoming struggle—in fact, that he did not really care which side won. Anybody who saw him on board the Erin to-day or late yesterday, when he entertained a large party of English, Americans, and Canadians to tea on board his yacht, would say, unreservedly, and he looks very well indeed for an octogenarian, and that he is as lighthearted as a schoolboy.

In reply to a message of greeting from the SUNDAY TIMES, Sir Thomas said:—

"They say that the betting is even, but there is very little betting so far as I know. Please say for me that Shamrock V. is the best boat of all those I have built for the Cup race, and before the series is over she will give a good account of herself."

It is agreed here that the rival sloops are more closely matched than ever before. It is true, as Sir Thomas Lipton said, that there has been very little betting, but at the New York Yacht Club this morning a few wagers were made at odds slightly favouring the Enterprise.

Reserving Judgment.

Neither to-day, nor possibly until the several races have been run, can any authentic judgment be passed on the two contestants, for until to-day they not only have never raced one another, but they have never raced opponents in any way comparable.

To-day's race was over a course beginning nine miles south-east of Brenton's Reef—the reef is about three miles off Newport—running 15 miles to windward and return, a distance of 30 nautical miles—half to windward and half ahead of the wind.

Sir Thomas Lipton and Captain Heard, owner and skipper of Shamrock V.

From the deck of the radio yacht Parthenia, from which I am sending this message, one saw the contenders being towed to their stations. They were followed or preceded by a fleet of destroyers from Goat Island—a naval station in Newport Harbour—official boats, yachts, and huge three-decker excursion boats from New York and other cities, carrying thousands of passengers.

Never before has there been such a flotilla of miscellaneous shipping in these waters. Most of the craft were gay with bunting. The excursion boats carried bands, and many were equipped for radio reception. On board one of the destroyers there was a fluent announcer, a specialist in yachting, who gave a minute-to-minute description of the day's story, beginning with the parade to Brenton's Reef, and ending late in the afternoon.

This personal detailed description, a novelty in the race for the America's Cup, was broadcast throughout North America. One big yacht with a cinema crew on board took pictures throughout the day, some of which were shown in New York to-night.

U.S. Boat's Crew.

To landsmen there was no perceptible difference between Shamrock and Enterprise as they left their moorings in the harbour for the open sea. Both have extraordinarily high masts—the American's is some feet the taller—and the measurements of both are much the same.

Enterprise, in her attempt to maintain the American mastery, places no small store on her numerous mechanical devices for hoisting sails and performing various operations necessary when racing, whereas Shamrock relies on the old-fashioned man-power of her forbears.

In an early spin to-day I remarked that Enterprise's crew were engaged in their daily dozen of calisthenic exercises. Captain Heard, of Shamrock V., does not believe that the daily dozen are necessary or even desirable for sailormen in active service and good trim, but Mr. Harold Vanderbilt, the Enterprise skipper, believes differently.

Mr. Vanderbilt has great faith in specialising in all sport, whether polo, boxing, or yachting. In that way alone, he believes, you can ensure success.

Mr. Vanderbilt, it is claimed, has

Harold S. Vanderbilt at the helm of the winning yacht.

developed a crew that can execute orders faster and with a greater degree of precision than any other Cup defender in history. Most of his men are big, healthy Scandinavians, and victory for them means in cash, as a bonus, just £100 each.

THE START.

DEFENDER FIRST ACROSS LINE.

Shamrock and Enterprise reached the starting point marked by a tug, with the New York Yacht Club Committee on board, shortly after 7 a.m. There was a light north-east breeze at the time, but not much sea, with the exception of a ground swell and a bit of fog.

Before the time for the start, 11.40, arrived the breeze veered to a light south-east, lifted, and the sun shone. Then, to the general disappointment, the breeze disappeared almost entirely, and the Yacht Committee, desiring above all a real race and no mere drifting match, postponed the start. By 12.45 a variable four-knot breeze sprang up, and the course was set—fifteen miles to leeward and fifteen to windward on the home stretch.

By 12.50 precisely the race for the Cup was on. It was a good start. In jockeying for position Enterprise had the slight advantage of being to windward, but there was little difference between the rivals as they crossed the line.

Shamrock got her spinnaker out first, quickly followed by Enterprise. Now the sun shone on the two magnificent craft—Enterprise slightly in lead—each with a spread of approximately 7,500 ft. of canvas. They made a beautiful spectacle, with a great flotilla of yachts exceeding 700 of every type, from 30 to 300 footers, following as closely as the coastguard patrol which policed the course would permit.

H.M.S. Heliotrope from Halifax, Nova Scotia, was among the attendant fleet, with Mr. Pierpont Morgan's Corsair close by.

Half an hour after the race started Enterprise was leading by an eighth of a mile, but the American defender was pulling better than her rival, and it seemed to observers that Shamrock's sails were not so well set.

Betting Changed.

An hour after the race started the wind increased, and by the same token Enterprise improved her lead to half a mile. It looked like an easy race for America on the outward reach, with the prospect of a struggle on the beat home.

It was significant, however, that the betting changed within half an hour after the race started from even money with slight odd on the defender to 5 to 3 that Enterprise would win the first race of the series.

At 2.10 Enterprise gybed, as she apparently found herself to windward of the line to the turning point, but an instant later she reset her spinnaker to port. Shamrock held on as before for a few minutes slightly

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PROGRESS OF THE RACE.

9.40 a.m. (American time).—The weather is calm and a light haze prevails.

10.30.—Challenger and defender leave for the starting line. Haze has thickened into mist and fog.

11.0.—Postponement of the race signalled for fifteen minutes.

Noon.—Following further delays the postponement signals are still flying.

12.52 p.m.—Race begun. Enterprise crosses line first.

1.0.—Enterprise is a length ahead.

1.50.—Shamrock has almost made up lost ground.

3.0.—Enterprise has rounded half-way mark with Shamrock over two minutes astern.

4.57.—Enterprise crossed the line, followed by Shamrock over two minutes later.

The story of the America's Cup and photographs of the cup and the rival yachts appear on page 20.

GERMANY AT THE POLLS.

EXTREMIST GAINS PROBABLE.

APPEALS BY AIR AND WATER.

BERLIN'S BAN ON SPIRITS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Saturday.

The new German Reichstag is to be elected to-morrow. All German elections for legislative bodies take place on Sundays in order that the working classes may have the opportunity to vote.

A special campaign has been directed this time against non-voters. It is considered practically certain that these are, in the main, persons who sympathise with the bourgeois parties, as the Socialist and Communist parties take care that their supporters fulfil their duty by going to the poll. A project to impose a fine on all registered voters who do not go to the polls has been seriously debated in political circles, and even in the Ministries, and, although controversy over the amount of the fine and the manner in which it should be collected has prevented fulfilment up to the present, there is no doubt that the idea will be elaborated later. It has also been proposed that lists of persons who have not recorded their vote be exhibited publicly, which would certainly be beneficial in the country districts.

AIMS OF PARTIES.

Twenty-four different Parties are appealing to the electorate to send their candidates to the Reichstag, though quite half of them are Parties which will hardly be recognised in the Reichstag. Among this latter half are the Anti-Alcoholists, Germany's National Minorities' Association of Men Disabled in the War, the Free Artisans, the House and Landowners' Association, and the Association of Tenants.

The electoral campaign has been more intense than usual, the older and more staid Parties having been perhaps aroused from their languor by the violence of the Parties on the extreme Right and the extreme Left, namely, the so-called National-Socialists and the Communists. The former Party threatens a Dictatorship of Pan-Germans, which would suppress, though it uses a stronger word, National-Socialism, Communism, and Jews; while the latter is fighting for a Bolshevist Dictatorship, such as works its will in Russia.

MONEY AND MURDER.

These two parties have abundance of money at their command, and use it to finance ruthless methods, which include murder. They are indeed brutalising political life to such an extent that Dr. Braun, the Prussian Minister-President, declared at a meeting a few days ago that, if not checked, they would bring Germany to the level of half-civilised nations.

The Nationalists have made strenuous appeals for support in their campaign against Marxism in general and the Socialist Party in particular, which, they say, is rapidly accomplishing the economic ruin of Germany. Unfortunately for themselves, the Nationalists have split, while the Socialists remain an unimpaired and solid body.

Whether any radical change will be accomplished by to-morrow's elections is doubtful. It is noteworthy that only what will possibly prove to be an insignificant minority openly appeals for support in an endeavour to restore Kaiserism, and it is very probable that the Socialist leaders, who are in an excellent position to judge the situation, are right in saying that the real fight is, on the one hand, for democratic Government by the people, and, on the other hand, for a plutocratic Republic.

THE SOCIALIST CAMPAIGN.

The Socialists themselves have conducted an intensive campaign throughout the length and breadth of the country, and they have made full use of air and water, votes for their candidates having been solicited by placards on innumerable boats on the lakes and rivers, and on aeroplanes that have flown over even the most remote country districts.

There is complete absence of prophesy as to the result of these elections, but it seems to be generally felt that the Socialists and Centre Parties will maintain their strength. It is assumed that the Nationalists will lose considerably, that the so-called State Party, in which Democrats preponderate, may secure about thirty members, and that the Communists and the National-Socialists will considerably increase their representation, partly because of their violent agitation, and partly because many of the 3,000,000 unemployed will vote for one or the other of these parties.

No spirits will be allowed to be sold in Berlin to-morrow until midnight, though beer and wine may be bought and drunk.

The elections are discussed on page 13 by the London Correspondent of the "Berliner Tageblatt."

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LIBERAL-LABOUR CONFERENCES.

IS BUSINESS MEANT?

By OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The Prime Minister has been in town during the past week, but has apparently been too busy to resume the conferences with the Liberal leaders on the unemployment question. No date, moreover, has yet been fixed for the next meeting, and though it is semi-officially estimated that the Liberal memoranda are under consideration by the various Government departments, the expectation of any tangible result of the conversations is becoming tenuous, and it is not surprising that a horrid doubt has arisen in Liberal circles whether the Government has meant business, and if they have not simply been playing for time in the hope that a turn of the trade tide may ease the situation. It would be a new experience for Mr. Lloyd George, who has more than once taken people out for a walk, to be himself treated in such fashion, and we may be very sure that he would not suffer it gladly.

Young Conservatives' Activity.

The efforts of the Empire Free Traders to capture the control of the Conservative Party are being continued, and though there is little doubt that they will prove unsuccessful, it is obvious that for the time being they must weaken the strength of the organisation and hamper Mr. Neville Chamberlain's reconstruction work at headquarters. There is, however, evidence of a healthier feeling among the younger members of the party. The little group—among them Mr. Oliver Stanley, Capt. Macmillan, and Capt. Boothby—who in the late House stood for a more definite industrial policy, suffered much grief at the General Election, but they are once more getting busy, and are meeting together to formulate a constructive policy, for which they hope to secure the general support of the party. They are greatly in earnest and should go far.

European Federation.

In his speech at Geneva on Thursday M. Briand added little to the outline of his plan for a European federation. To the proposals Mr. Arthur Henderson gave merely a general welcome, for the delegates recognise that they must be closely analysed by one of the League Committees during the coming year. As usual at Geneva, the background is much more interesting than the material offered for public consumption. Since M. Briand suddenly developed this idea in his speech at the Assembly a year ago he has probably been surprised by the amount of attention it has attracted. It is spectacular. It lends itself to the wide, vague discussion which is so much of the stock-in-trade of international gatherings. No one knows quite what it means or involves, and therefore everyone can write about it with powerful conviction.

The Dominions and Tariffs.

I am told that the British Dominion and other Empire representatives were much comforted by their interview with the President of the Board of Trade at Geneva. They were not parties to the tariff truce negotiations, and they feared that if the British Government ratified the draft convention, as it proposes to do prior to November 1, effective or free discussion at the coming Imperial Conference would be barred. It was, however, explained to them that the Government were merely pursuing the policy of trying to secure the freer trade which had always been part of their faith; that there would be a free discussion of everything at the Imperial Conference, tariffs and preference included; and that, even if any change were contemplated as a result of the Conference to give effect to any preference or agreement with the Dominions, it would still be possible for the United Kingdom Government to denounce the Convention at February 1 next, and, within its terms, be clear of all obligation two months later, and well ahead of the Budget.

The Government and India.

The list of those who are to attend the Round Table Conference is illustrious, but it cannot be considered national as long as so many public leaders from "representative India" are away. Meantime, one interesting indication has leaked out, viz., that the Government were ready to offer complete and responsible self-government to India, and that Lord Irwin used this as the bait to induce Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru and his colleagues to overcome Gandhi's recalcitrance. Gandhi, however, wanted much more, for responsible government is not even a milestone upon the road they desire to tread, and he asks for complete and absolute severance from the British Empire. As well cry for the moon, and if the Nationalists persist in these impossible demands they will only put off indefinitely further extension of self-government in the dependency.

Extension of Allotments.

Mr. J. T. Robson, of Huddersfield, spoke on behalf of the Government on Thursday, when he promised an extension of allotments among the unemployed. Since the war it is alleged that 350,000 people have lost allotments, and this in an age in which houses were being built for the very type of person who might have been given a strip of land to cultivate at the back door. The basic contentment of the French countryman lies in the fact that ever since the French Revolution the peasant has been planted upon the land, and the magic of property has converted him into a thrifty well-wisher of order and good government. Yet, after all that was done for the small-holder and allotment-holder after the war, the drift in England is against the grant of land in small lots. Every month reveals the stupidity and short-sightedness of local authorities who allow valuable sites to be bought up by the greedy speculator when they could quite easily allow them to remain a green oasis in a wilderness of brick. To link the allotment question with that of the unemployed has been the dream of the last three Prime Ministers, and really allotment-holders are worth remembering politically, for they number just under a million, and have agreed to pool their organisation and propaganda resources.

PACIFIC FLIGHT.

U.S. AIRMEN'S 4,000 MILES NON-STOP ATTEMPT.

SAMBONGI (JAPAN), Saturday.

Two American airmen, Harold Bromley (pilot) and Harold Gatty (navigator) started on an attempt to fly across the Pacific at 5.8 this morning. They are flying in a large orange monoplane called the City of Tacoma.

They hope to make a non-stop flight of 4,000 miles at Tacoma, Washington. The big monoplane rose from the packed sand runway after a run of 1,700 yards, and turning in a north-easterly direction disappeared in the direction of Cape Erimo.—*Reuter.*

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TARIFF TRUCE CONVENTION.

TO BE RATIFIED BY BRITAIN

MR. GRAHAM'S APPEAL TO OTHER POWERS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

GENEVA, Saturday.

Mr. William Graham, President of the Board of Trade, announced, at the League of Nations Assembly, to-day, that the British Government would ratify the Tariff Truce Convention. That he would make this announcement was foreshadowed by the SUNDAY TIMES in its last issue.

He urged that other nations should do the same before November, when the negotiations between the States for further tariff reductions would commence. These negotiations, he pointed out, must take place before April 1, the time-limit of the provisional truce. Eighteen countries had signed the Convention and twenty-three the Protocol for further negotiations.

He warned his hearers that, with the economic situation as it is, unless agreement was reached, tariffs would move in an upward direction. The British Government's proposal, he declared, did not envisage Free Trade, but freer trade.

The elections to the three vacant non-permanent seats on the Council of the League, take place on Tuesday, when, it is anticipated, the Irish Free State will secure one of the places.

Mr. Graham's speech is reported on page 18.

COAL MISSION TO SCANDINAVIA.

RESTORING TRADE.

Mr. E. Shinwell, Minister for Mines, and members of the delegation of Coalowners and Exporters, who are visiting Scandinavia for the purpose of studying conditions there with a view to the restoration of the British coal market in Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, left Liverpool Street last night by the Harwich-Hook express train.

The party propose visiting Bergen, Oslo, Gothenburg, and Copenhagen, and will confer with the Scandinavian Coal Importers' Federation. The delegation, which expects to be away for about ten days, included Mr. H. W. Cole, Assistant Under-Secretary of the Mines Department; Mr. A. W Archer, Mr. J. R. D. Bell, Sir Alfred Cope, Mr. Ridley Warham, Capt. M. J. Wemyss, representing the coal owners of Great Britain; Mr. Lindsay Carlow, Sir Walter Raine, M.P., and Mr. R. M. Stewart, representing the coal exporters; and Mr. F. E. Cole, of the Mines Department, who will act as secretary to the delegation.

Mr. Shinwell said to a Press representative: "We hope to find out what has caused the decline of our export trade with the Scandinavian countries and, if possible, to remove any dfficulties that exist.

"It is the first time that a national deputation of the coal trade has visited a foreign country, and it is also the first time that the whole of the British coal trade has been associated with the Government in a venture of this kind."

THE PRINCE AT GOLF.

HIS CLOSE FINISH IN A CUP CONTEST.

LE TOUQUET, Saturday.

The Prince of Wales just failed to qualify for the Prince of Monaco's Cup on the golf course here this morning, his opponent being two up and one to play in the qualifying round.

The Prince played with Mr. T. Phipps, an American, instead of with Sir Philip Sassoon, who had withdrawn. Heavy rain rather marred the enjoyment of the game, and kept the Prince indoors in the afternoon.—*Reuter*

WOMAN IN WASTE-PAPER BASKET.

MERSEA BEACH SCENE.

A scene on West Mersea Beach was described yesterday at Colchester, when Samuel Lofting, a photographer, his wife, Amy, and his daughter Lilian, together with Arthur Raynor, all of Colchester, were summoned for, without the permission of the owner, placing or leaving glass on the highway so as to affect the public amentities.

Mr. F. Collinge, for the prosecution, said that in the early hours of Sunday morning, July 6, defendants with three others visited Mersea in a car. A woman was placed in a waste-paper basket and rolled about the beach to the accompaniment of loud shrieks and shouts.

Two men also got hold of a woman and held her while beer was poured into her mouth. There was a good deal of bad language used, and when the police were sent for defendants gave wrong names and addresses.

Defendants, who pleaded guilty, were each fined £2, with £2 15s. costs each.

LIVE WIRE TRAGEDY.

WOMAN'S DEATH IN SAVING SERVANT.

FIVE OTHERS IN PERIL.

CURRENT SHUT OFF IN NICK OF TIME.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LLANDUDNO, Saturday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Catherine Roberts (46), the wife of a Llandudno builder, saved the life of her servant at the expense of her own here to-day.

The servant, Miss Kitty Owen, was unpegging clothes on a line in the back yard, when the line touched a live wire used for carrying current from the house to a hut. The girl screamed for help, and Mrs. Roberts rushed out, pushed the girl vigorously aside, making her loosen her hold on the line, but she herself became entangled in the live wire.

She screamed loudly, and her son, daughter, and three men visitors clutched hold of her, but they also became affected by the current, and the cries of all of them brought neighbours rushing to the spot. Eventually a hawker ran into the house and switched off the current, and when the group of writhing bodies was separated Mrs. Roberts was found to be dead.

BALKAN SPY PLOT

THREE ARRESTS.

SOFIA, Saturday.

Further details of the espionage conspiracy which has caused a great stir in the Balkans were disclosed to-day by a *communiqué* issued by the Ministry of War, which says:—

"A former railwayman has been arrested for engaging in espionage on behalf of a neighbouring State. This man has accused a soldier and two police officials as being implicated in the conspiracy. These have likewise been arrested, but as the result of inquiries, it has been established that the soldier and the two officials were not concerned in the espionage.

"The affair is still being investigated."—*Reuter.*

[A Vienna report issued on Friday stated that the espionage was on behalf of Yugoslavia, and that an official of the Yugoslav Legation was implicated.]

MR. LEO FAULKNER.

SERIOUSLY INJURED IN MOTOR ACCIDENT.

Mr. P. Leo Faulkner, who was recently appointed handicapper in the Irish Turf Club, was knocked down and seriously injured by a motor-car at the Brook Street crossing in Hyde Park on Friday night. He was taken to St. George's Hospital in an unconscious condition, and yesterday Scotland Yard issued an appeal for information which would lead to his identity being established, saying that the only clue was an L.M.S. railway ticket from Kingstown to Holyhead.

Last night Mr. Faulkner was identified. He was a retired commandant of the Indian Police, and spent many years in Bengal. On retiring he went to live in Ireland, where he took a prominent part in turf affairs.

He travelled from Ireland with the object of seeing the St. Leger, and was due to return to Ireland yesterday. Last night he was still unconscious and in a serious condition.

MR. H. G. WELLS SUED.

PLAGIARISM CHARGE IN "OUTLINE OF HISTORY."

TORONTO, Saturday.

Without calling on the defence, Mr. Justice Raney reserved judgment in the suit for damages for alleged plagiarism brought against Mr. H. G. Wells and his publishers in respect of his "Outline of History" by Miss Florence A. Deeks, of Toronto.

She alleged that Mr. Wells's book was a reproduction, in whole or in part, of a manuscript entitled "The Web," which had been rejected by the same publishers.

The defence denied that Mr. Wells ever had access to Miss Deeks's manuscript or knew of her existence.

Judgment will be given a fortnight hence.—*Central News.*

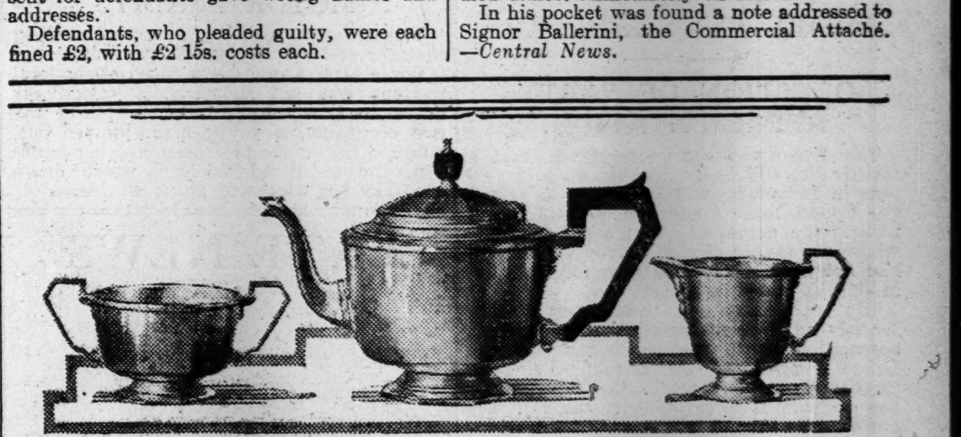
EMBASSY SECRETARY SHOT.

PARIS, Saturday.

Signor Gino Candu, a secretary of the Italian Embassy in Paris, was found shot in the mouth with a revolver this afternoon.

He was taken to the Laennec Hospital, but died almost immediately on arrival.

In his pocket was found a note addressed to Signor Ballerini, the Commercial Attaché.—*Central News.*



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CHIEF CONSTABLE'S STATEMENT.

ARSENIC RIDDLE.

MAN WHO WENT TO AMERICA.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

STOKE-ON-TRENT, Saturday.

The discovery in a Tunstall workshop of a box containing half a hundred-weight of arsenic has given a new turn to the mysterious distribution of poisoned sweets in the Potteries area.

Late to-night Deputy Chief Constable Bowler gave this statement to me at Hanley police headquarters:—

"We have discovered that the box of arsenic which was removed from the premises at Tunstall was originally owned by a man named Stephenson, who carried on business in Moe Street, Tunstall, making iron-enamels. The business was not successful, and before he left England he gave the man who is now at the workshop, to whom he owed money, some of his stock.

"The stock included this box of arsenic, which remained unopened from 1926 to 1929. Then one day the man to whom it had been left opened it and saw the stuff was useless. It remained on the premises, the new owner thinking the stuff was of no value. An analysis of the powder in the box showed it to be similar to the arsenic found on the premises of the Burslem sweet manufacturer.

"So far as we know now, all the arsenic that was in the box has been accounted for. We are satisfied that the arsenic was used by Stephenson in his legitimate business, for in the making of enamel plates a certain amount of arsenic is used to mix with the materials.

"It is probable that the arsenic was imported from abroad through an agent in London or Birmingham. The only marks on the box were 'T' and 'C' on the one side, and in a triangular marking was the number 'E.D.' 1,202.'

"Up to now in our inquiry we have no reason to believe that any person who had handled the arsenic at any time knew what it really was."

"NOT CLEARED UP."

Mr. Bowler added that the police were still pursuing their inquiries, and were looking for a man who had been living in a village near Congleton, and from whom they would probably require a statement.

"The mystery is by no means cleared up yet," he added. "The sweets did not bear the maker's name on the bottles, and they were of the cheap variety which could be purchased at 4 oz. for 2d."

To-day four further cases of illness attributed to contaminated sweets came to light in this area, and are now being investigated by the authorities. At Tunstall two women and a little girl are the victims, and a man at Newcastle-under-Lyne was taken violently ill after eating peppermint creams given to him at a local wedding.

Although over 200 bottles of suspected sweets made at the Burslem factory have been traced by the authorities in different parts of the Black Country, and as far as Shrewsbury, it cannot be definitely stated whether some of the bottles are still missing, and it is proving a difficult task to trace individual sales from shopkeepers who stocked the sweets.

The man for whom the police are searching has not yet been found. He is believed to be staying with friends in the neighbourhood.

"WHITE ENAMEL."

I saw the man's brother this morning. He is joint tenant of the workshop in which the box was found, and he told me that, so far as he knew, the box had been on the premises for two or three years.

"It belonged," he added, "to a man who was formerly in business here, who used white enamel powder for making letters on metal. The box, until a few months ago, had a printed label bearing the words 'White Enamel,' with the name and address of the makers. I took this off and destroyed it some time ago. I opened the box with a lever and found it contained a white powder. The man whom the box formerly belonged to is now in Cincinnati, Ohio, but I have not his exact address."

NEW BRIGHTON CASE.

SWEETS HELD NOT TO BE RESPONSIBLE.

All except three of nineteen children who were taken ill at St. Barnabas Home, New Brighton, have been able to leave their beds, and these three are recovering.

It was at first thought that they were suffering from sweet-poisoning, but Professor W. H. Roberts, the Liverpool city analyst, who had made an analysis of the sweets, stated yesterday: "The sweets are quite free from arsenic, and in my opinion they had absolutely nothing to do with the illness of the children."

The children's illness is now believed to be due to eating plums.

INDIA CONFERENCE.

QUESTION OF PARTY REPRESENTATION.

The SUNDAY TIMES understands that a further list will be issued this week of persons in India who will be invited to attend the Round Table Conference. The list will include the names of about a dozen people whose acceptance of the Viceroy's invitation had not been received in time for inclusion in the list issued last week.

The publication of the names of the British-Indian delegations has caused renewed speculation as to the constitution of the Home delegations. As announced in the SUNDAY TIMES last week, the Government has made its selection of delegates, but it is not clear as to who will represent the Opposition parties.

Among the names mentioned in connection with the Conservative Party are those of Sir Samuel Hoare, Lord Chelmsford, and Lord Zetland, and those of Lord Reading and Sir Herbert Samuel are associated with the Liberals' list of delegates.

It is generally regarded as certain that Mr. MacDonald will be chairman of the Conference.

Other Indian news on page 23.

IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN ITEMS.

A wooden box, hooked by an angler fishing in the Rhine at Bonn, contained a coiner's outfit and a number of spurious coins.

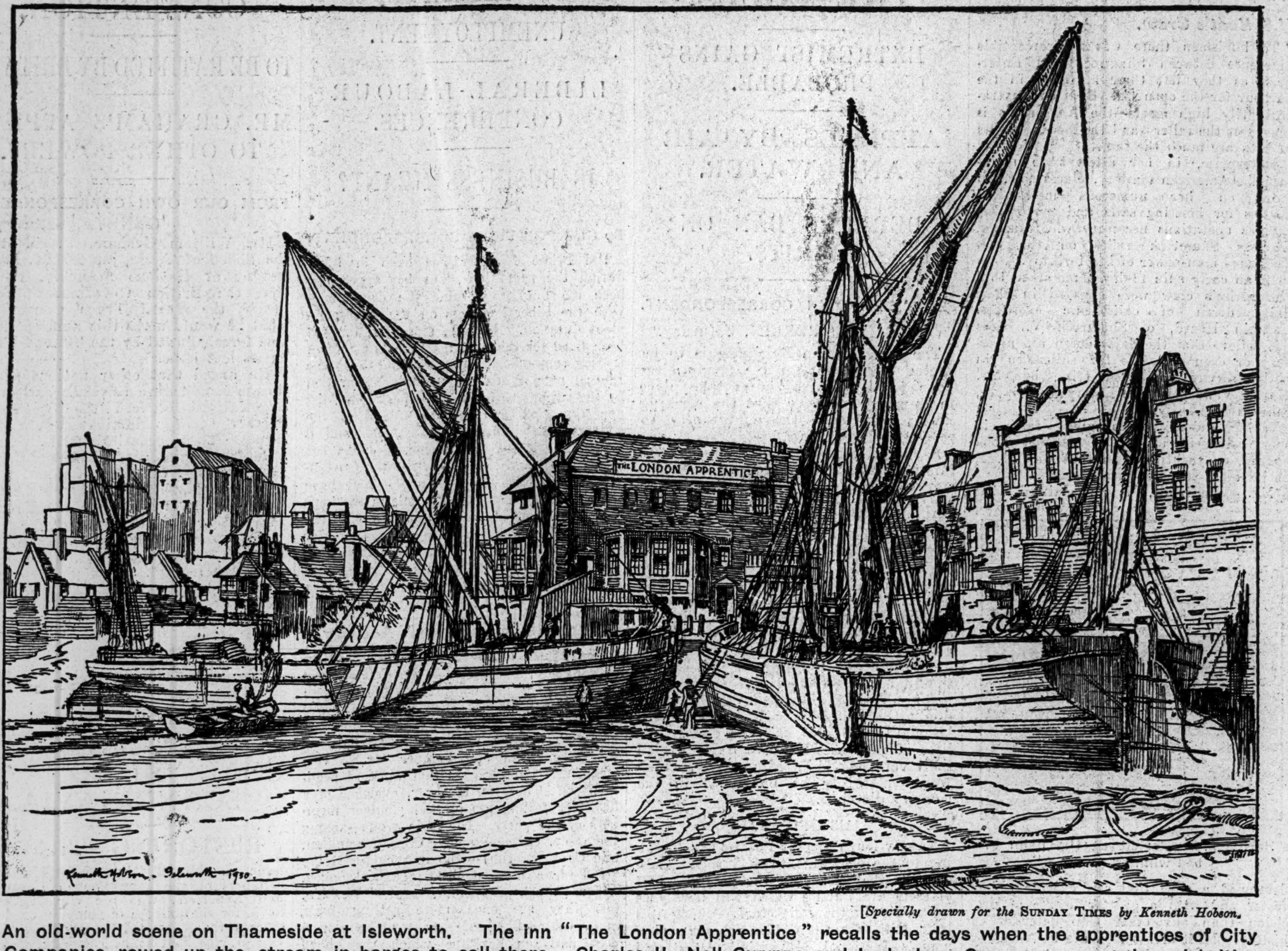
A flower show was held at Ypres yesterday by the Ypres branch of the British Legion. It was opened by Major-General Sir Fabian Ware.

The French airman, M. Fauvel, has established a fresh duration record for a light aeroplane of the 200 kilogram class with a flight lasting 12 hours 33 minutes.

Delegates to the International Parliamentary Conference on Commerce in Brussels yesterday visited Liège, where they were the guests of the Municipality.

A messenger carrying £900 from a bank was shot dead in Cologne by a young man, who seized the money and made off on the pillion of a motor-cycle. The police have made an arrest.

LINK WITH LONDON SMUGGLERS.



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An old-world scene on Thameside at Isleworth. The inn "The London Apprentice" recalls the days when the apprentices of City Companies rowed up the stream in barges to call there. Charles II., Nell Gwynne and Lady Jane Grey are among the celebrities who also visited the inn, the oak ceiling joists of which are well preserved. Smugglers used to land at Isleworth, and after passing through the vaults beneath All Saints Church deposited their contraband in the cellars of the inn.

UNDER SOVIET EYES.

MOSCOW'S WATCH ON ITS SERVANTS.

NEW HOME FOR PARIS OFFICIALS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday

The report published earlier in the week that the Soviet Government has secured the lease, through its commercial representative in Paris, of a large house near the Porte Saint Cloud, in which all Soviet officials will be obliged to live, is confirmed to-day by the White Russian newspaper, *Dernières Nouvelles*, which is printed in Paris.

According to this newspaper, a lease has now been signed for a period of three, six, or nine years for the new building, which has only just been completed. Certain alterations are to be made in the interior, and by the autumn what will be known as "The First House of the Soviet in France" will be ready to open its doors.

The object of the Soviet authorities in taking the lease, it is alleged, is to make it possible for them to keep close watch on their servants in Paris. It is stated that single rooms and suites of three or four rooms will be available. Part of the building will be furnished at the expense of the Soviet Government and part of it will be left unfurnished.

According to the *Dernières Nouvelles*, the cost of the furniture of the tenants will be liquidated by the Soviet Bank in Paris, and is calculated, it is said, on a basis of £20 per annum per room. The Bank will assume responsibility for the expenses, and will be responsible for the appointment of the concierge. Special care will be taken to obtain a concierge whose enthusiasm for Bolshevism is beyond suspicion

BAG-SNATCHER'S BLOW.

WOMAN ASSAULTED BY MOTOR BANDIT.

Violence was used by a motor handbag snatcher at Hays, Middlesex, yesterday.

While Mrs. Annie Clark, aged 26, a local resident was out shopping, a saloon car drove up slowly towards her. One of the two occupants, a young man, jumped out, punched her in the face, snatched her handbag, and re-entered the car, which drove off. The bag contained about £1 15s.

LATE NEWS

AMERICA'S CUP RACE.

OFFICIAL TIME.

A Central News telegram this morning states that the official time taken by Enterprise over the course was 4 hours 2 minutes 50 seconds. Shamrock took 2 minutes 40 seconds longer.

A Newport (Rhode Island) Reuter message states that last night Sir Thomas Lipton's steam-yacht Erin collided with a motor-yacht. The two boats came together broadside on, and little damage was done.

BERLIN ELECTION RIOTS.

An Exchange message from Berlin this morning stated that one person was killed and twenty others were seriously hurt in election riots last night.

Election news on page 15.

U.S. GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

Tommy Armour beat Gene Sarazen in final of American Professional Golf Championship by one up.

SONGS SUNG IN SHIPWRECK.

SIR HUGH ALLEN ON TAHITI THRILL.

GREATEST MOMENTS OF HIS LIFE.

Sir Hugh Allen, director of the Royal School of Music, who was on the Tahiti when she sank in the Pacific, landed at Southampton from the Homeric yesterday.

Describing his experiences, he said it was one of the greatest moments of his life.

"The disaster was faced with spirit and fortitude," he said, "and the thing that struck me most was the way in which the passengers and crew of the ship behaved during nearly sixty hours, while the passengers were huddled together in the music-room waiting for the help that seemed a long time coming.

"Yet there were no signs of fear. We passed the time by singing songs. There were all sorts of songs and tunes, some that I had never heard before."

Sir Hugh said the engineer worked gallantly with his mates up to their waists, continuing pumping operations until the passengers took to the boats. The crew kept the passengers supplied with food.

When the passengers left the ship they were presented with menu cards showing what they would have had if they had stayed aboard. "We shall keep the menu cards as souvenirs of a very thrilling occasion," Sir Hugh said.

ÆOLIAN HALL SOLD

£200,000 PURCHASE FOR EMPIRE CLUB.

The Aeolian Hall, New Bond Street, W., the well-known concert hall, has been sold to a syndicate for a sum in the neighbourhood of £200,000. It is intended to use the main hall for concerts, and to convert the remainder of the premises into a club for people from all over the Empire.

Mr. Ernest Yates, the West End estate agent said yesterday, that "we were just in time to save the famous organ. We are out," he added, "to cater for the strong desire that exists that there should be a centrally situated club to which people from all over the Empire can come.

"The work of reconstruction will begin almost at once. The frontage will be let for shops and we intend to have restaurants and an American bar. We want to keep the 'atmosphere' of the past, and combine it with the surroundings of an up-to-date club. It is possible that several people well-known in the world of music will be associated with the enterprise."

COAL-MINING SURVEY.

EXPERTS' VIEWS ON THE INDUSTRY'S FUTURE.

With Tuesday's issue of *The Daily Telegraph* there will be published gratis an exhaustive survey of the British coal-mining industry in the form of a hundred-page handsomely illustrated supplement, containing specially written articles on every phase of the industry—productive, distributive, economic and scientific—each article representing the considered judgment of an expert in his particular branch.

These experts, who include Lord Gainford, the Marquis of Londonderry, Mr. W. A. Lee, Mr. H. H. Merrett, Mr. W. Benton Jones, Mr. A. W. Archer, Mr. Finlay Gibson, Viscount Chelmsford, Mr. F. J. Leathers, Sir Alfred Cope, Professor K. Neville Moss, Professor R. V. Wheeler, and Lieut.-Col. S. J. M. Auld, analyse the causes of the troubled times through which the coal industry has passed since the war. They present an instructive narrative of what the industry has done in reconstruction and modernisation, and they answer, each for his own section, the big question: "What of the future?"

The wide scope of these special articles embraces such inter-related questions as industrial reorganisation and legislation, organised marketing, price regulation, overseas specialisation, modern mechanisation in regard to output, collieries as power-distributors, progress in gas-making and coking, low-temperature distillation, and the distribution of coal for domestic and industrial uses.

The supplement contains separate accounts of the history and present state of the principal coalfields, and articles on machine-mining, steamer and wagon building, power equipment and inland water transport. The numerous illustrations include photographs of the latest plant and processes and of colliery scenes above and below ground.

"ROUNDABOUT" WALKERS.

PARLIAMENT SQUARE PROPOSALS.

A DANGER-SPOT FOR PEDESTRIANS.

One of the best-known places of resort in Central London may become almost inaccessible to pedestrians if a scheme submitted to the Ministry of Transport is carried into effect.

The suggestion put forward in connection with the effort that is being made to reduce the number of casualties to walkers at points where one-way traffic is in force is that the paved footway which runs across Parliament Square, opposite the Houses of Parliament, should be closed, and that the pavement which runs round the grass area should be abolished.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, in consultation with the Office of Works, is considering the whole question of making London safe for pedestrians where they have to cross streams of "round-about" vehicles; but if he adopts this particular suggestion he will have to face a storm of criticism.

For the centre of Parliament Square is much frequented. Nearly every visitor to London goes there to look at the statues of Beaconsfield, Canning, and Peel, to observe the fat pigeons fluttering and strutting across the grass, and to buy picture postcards. Many Londoners also loiter there, and some of the Whitehall clerks habitually take picnic luncheons in the square during the summer months.

MANY ACCIDENTS.

But there have been many accidents at this point. Several of the busy streams of traffic which converge here from Whitehall, New Bridge Street, Abingdon Street, Victoria Street, and Great Smith Street have the knack of descending rather unexpectedly upon the unwary walker, and when Parliament is sitting dozens of M.P.s' cars entering and leaving Palace Yard add to the anxieties of the pedestrian.

On the other hand, members of Parliament themselves have frequently complained of the risk they run when approaching the House from Great Smith Street after a walk through St. James's or the Green Parks. They have to dodge the traffic across wide street spaces, and it is rumoured that the Square is the nursery of un-Parliamentary language.

Only recently Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister of Health, met with an accident when crossing the Square.

An M.P. observed to the SUNDAY TIMES last night that if the proposed scheme were adopted pedestrians would have in effect to adapt themselves to the one-way traffic system. "It is an interesting idea," he said, "but I imagine that if the experiment were tried it would come as a great hardship to the thousands of women who cluster on the pavement opposite St. Margaret's Church every afternoon during the fashionable wedding season."

TAXI-CAB ATTACKS.

A FRENCH DEMAND TO BE ARMED.

PARIS, Saturday.

Another attempt to kill and rob a taxi-cab driver has been made, this time near Saint-Etienne, but with less tragic results than at Cercottes, near Orleans, recently. The chauffeur escaped unhurt.

His fare instructed him to stop the car at a deserted spot in the country, and then fired twice. The first bullet glanced off the windscreen and the second misfired. The chauffeur got away and appealed for help at the nearest village. His assailant escaped.

Since the Barataud affair at Limoges a year or two ago, no fewer than twenty taxi-cab drivers have either been killed or seriously injured by their fares. As a consequence the taxi-cab drivers' union is anxious that taxi-drivers shall not only be authorised, but obliged to carry revolvers.—Reuter.

NEW U.S. CONSUL IN LONDON.

WASHINGTON, Saturday.

It was announced to-day by the State Department that Mr. R. B. M. Catee, the United States Consul at Bradford, England, had been appointed Consul in London.—*Reuter*.

£64,000 FOR SUBURBAN ACRE.

A sum of £64,000 per acre has been obtained at Twickenham by the sale of a site for a motor show room. It is said to be a record price for land in the suburbs.

THE OLD VIC. RE-OPENS.

FAINTING WOMEN IN PACKED AUDIENCE.

MR. GIELGUD AS HOTSPUR.

The happiest woman in London last night must have been Miss Lilian Baylis, for there was not even standing room available for would-be patrons when the curtain rose to open the new Shakespeare season at the Old Vic. Indeed, so dense was the crowd standing at the back of the stalls that the trained nurse on duty was in demand on two occasions before the first interval to assist fainting women.

Miss Baylis had chosen "Henry IV., Part I.," with which to reopen her newly decorated theatre. This play, so popular and constantly played in Shakespeare's time, had not been revived at the Old Vic for seven years, and, judging by the happy enthusiasm with which last night's audience received it, it was long overdue.

Mr. John Gielgud, who did so well at the Old Vic last year, is again the leading man this season, and in this production he finely takes the part of Hotspur. Miss Dorothy Green is the Lady Percy, and Mr. Henry Wolston as that mountain of flesh, Sir John Falstaff, had the house in smiles with his drolleries whenever he appeared on the stage.

Mr. Ralph Richardson played with admirable effect the part of the wayward Prince of Wales, and Mr. Alfred Sangster's King had sincerity and dignity. Owen Glendower (Mr. Powell Lloyd) harangued Henry Percy with a convincing Welsh accent.

Watching the play from a box was Miss Martita Hunt, the leading lady at the Old Vic last season, and in another box were Miss Violet Vanbrugh and her daughter Prudence, with Miss Baylis herself.

During the first interval there came a sudden silence over the vast, chattering audience, as a notice commenting upon the death of Mr. Herbert Simmonds, a popular member of the Old Vic company, was thrown on the screen.

GIANT SEAPLANE.

MOTORS OF 10,000 H.P.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

M. Louis Bréquet, the designer of the aeroplane Question Mark, in which Costes and Bellonte recently flew from Paris to New York, announces that he has almost completed his design for a seaplane to be used for regular Transatlantic flights.

In an interview published to-day in the Paris edition of the *Chicago Tribune*, M. Bréquet explained that he has been working on the problem of Atlantic flights for eight years, and that he has devoted the last three years largely to the perfection of the Question Mark.

"I believe that my original idea of a multi-engine-chamber-wing-all-metal seaplane, capable of landing on the water, is the best solution of the problem," he said.

"This machine, for which designs are almost ready, will have fifteen to seventeen motors developing 10,000 horse-power with a wingspread of 300 ft. or more and a surface of 1,200 square yards. The speed of this machine is about 200 miles per hour.

"The take-off will probably be made on rails with the aid of a catapult. Its first stop will be at the Azores, on the southern route, and Ireland and Halifax on the northern route."

FIRE AT A HOLIDAY CAMP.

While the members of the Great Britain and Ireland Camping Club, who are spending their annual reunion camp at Amersham, Bucks, were singing round the camp fire last night, one of the 400 tents in the encampment was seen to be on fire.

The tent belonged to Mr. and Mrs. Arnott, of Oxford. The flames spread to their motor-car nearby, and both tent and car were destroyed.

INFANT PRINCE'S TITLE.

BRUSSELS, Saturday.

A Royal Decree has been issued announcing that the infant Prince Baudouin, just born to the Duke and Duchess of Brabant, will be known by the title of the Comte de Hainaut. The Decree adds that the eldest son of the Duke of Brabant will in future always bear this title, which will be dropped when the eldest son becomes Duke of Brabant himself.—*Reuter*.

HOW ENTERPRISE GAINED THE VICTORY.

MR. VANDERBILT'S SPORTING GESTURE.

FINISH DELAYED TO MITIGATE SHAMROCK'S DEFEAT.

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over half a mile behind her rival, and then she also corrected her course. Within a mile of the turning point the wind veered towards the east somewhat and dissipated a slowly rising mist.

With half the race over and the wind gradually freshening, Enterprise rounded the fifteen-mile boundary buoy at 3.5, followed by Shamrock 2 min. 4 sec. later.

SHAMROCK'S GALLANT FIGHT.

The challenger had picked up well in the last stage of the outward journey, and was only about one-eight of a mile behind when the pair turned into the final leg.

Both yachts were carrying their regular working sails, staysail, jib and intermediate size jib and topsail. The wind increased to about 11 knots an hour, and the direction shifted from South-East to East North-East.

With two hours and a-half to go to the finish, it was still anybody's race, and a great thrill of excitement ran through the attendant flotilla when it was seen that Shamrock was still gaining, gallantly fighting for victory yard by yard. Due to a northerly shift of the wind, the racers were able to sail more directly towards home without tacking.

THE FINISH.

With three-fifths of the homeward journey complete and the finish in sight, Shamrock was trailing Enterprise by a quarter of a mile. Both craft were plugging along at ten knots or thereabouts, with no tacking as yet, and a moderate sea inshore replacing the Atlantic swell.

Betting had shifted now to 3 to 1 on Enterprise for the first race and 2 to 1 for the series.

Enterprise finished 2 min. 50 sec. ahead of Shamrock.

The contenders were accompanied home by the same impressive marine pageant formed into parallel lines, between which Shamrock sailed gracefully in the sunshine of a late September afternoon.

In the early morning a big excursion steamer from New York, a four-decker, with 1,000 persons on board, had entered Newport in a fog, running the risk of imperilling the safety of many smaller boats. The coastguards were forewarned, and took vigorous measures to safeguard the course and prevent the possibility of any casualty.

Sudden fog off this coast still remains, as off Sandy Hook, the greatest menace of international yacht racing. Public interest, however, judged from to-day's experience, has not declined, but vastly increased.

YACHTS CLOSELY MATCHED.

Judged by to-day's performances, which were closely watched by the keenest experts in the country, Enterprise and Shamrock are very closely matched indeed, and the races next week will awaken unexampled interest.

Sir Thomas Lipton followed the race in the Erin, and at the close confirmed his statment that, in his view, Shamrock V. is the best boat he has ever raced.

It was by general consent a splendid race and nobody can predict to-day which country will win the cup. So far as handling is concerned the chief credit goes to the Vanderbilt crew, and probably their closer acquaintance with local conditions supplied the margin of superiority by which they won.

START DELAYED BY FOG.

LONG POSTPONEMENT.

The following account of the race is given by Reuter's Special Correspondent:—

Followed by a huge fleet of excursion steamers and private yachts, the defender and challenger left their moorings just after 10.30 for the starting line.

As the hour approached for the start, a light northerly wind was blowing, but the fog was still prevalent and visibility was poor.

At 11 a.m., the time set for the warning flag, the Race Committee aboard the tug, Eugene Moran, signalled a fifteen-minute postponement, probably in the hope that the fog would lift. The breeze had veered slightly to eastward.

At 11.50 an International code signal from the Committee's tug indicated that the start would be delayed for at least another fifteen minutes. There was no sign of activity aboard either of the competing yachts.

At noon the postponement signal was still flying, indicating yet another fifteen minutes' delay.

NERVE-RACKING MOMENTS.

These were nerve-racking moments for the crews, both of the challenger and defender, who were al lkeyed up to concert pitch ready to "go over the top."

Shortly after 12.30 the warning gun was fired from the Committee Boat.

Both yachts set their mainsails immediately the warning signal sounded and rode side by side awaiting the starting signal, while patrol boats cleared the course.

Enterprise, which had the weather berth, crossed the line with her mainsail, balloon and jib topsail set. Shamrock, in addition to her balloon sail, was carrying a staysail and small jib. Shamrock was the first to break her spinnaker, and she began to gain as soon as it was set. Enterprise's spinnaker was broken a moment later, and whistles from the huge fleet of spectators shrieked encouragement.

Enterprise led throughout the first half-hour, her sails holding steadily in the wind. Shamrock, however, seemed to gain slightly. At this period the defender's sails were drawing much better than Shamrock's, although the breeze continued very light, and her big spinnaker was bellying out smoothly.

At the end of an hour Shamrock had reduced Enterprise's lead, and the race, it became apparent, would be anything but a walk-over for Enterprise. Shamrock, with a favouring breeze, drew up to within forty yards of the American yacht, and for a few minutes the boats raced almost bow to bow. Then Enterprise once again drew away.

Shortly before reaching the tug Thomas F. Moran, which represented the turning mark, Enterprise took in her balloon sail and broke out her jib, baby-jib topsail and staysail. A few minutes later Shamrock followed suit. A great cheer went up from the packed mass of excursion steamers when it was realised what a great show Shamrock was making, despite the unfavourable conditions. The challenger was now hanging on to Enterprise like grim death.

ENTERPRISE LEADS AT THE TURN.

SHAMROCK BEGINS TO CATCH UP.

The official timings at half-way showed the challenger exactly two minutes and seven seconds behind the defender. Enterpris actually rounded the mark-boat in 2 hours 2 minutes 55 seconds, while Shamrock's time was 2 hours 5 minutes 2 seconds.

The wind continued to freshen as the yachts headed for home, fifteen miles away. The breeze was now suiting Shamrock better, and she began to respond favourably. Shamrock's supporters now held high hopes that she might overtake and pass her speedy rival.

Enterprise had some difficulty in rounding the mark, and Mr. Vanderbilt appeared to have some difficulty in bringing his craft about. Ned Heard, on the other hand, made a beautiful turn and gained considerably on Enterprise. He hit the mark right on the nose, and whirled round it with only a few feet to spare.

As the velocity of the breeze increased, Enterprise lengthened her lead considerably, and when she had covered approximately ten miles of the homeward leg she was slashing along beautifully, with a sparkling line of foam under her bows. It was estimated that he rspeed at this period of the race was close on ten knots. Mr. Vanderbilt could be seen at the wheel in his shirt sleeves, while his crew were sprawled flat along the weather rail.

The challenger was trailing still further behind. She was slightly to the windward of Enterprise, but this technical advantage was of no use to her as she was too far astern.

A SPORTING FINISH.

As the finishing line loomed up through the haze of the September afternoon—a haze which was increased by the smoke of countless oil and coal-burning craft—Shamrock was so far behind that only a miracle could prevent an American victory in the first race of the series. At 4.45 the fleet of spectators began to crowd around the finishing line, but the yachts were too far apart to furnish any thrill of excitement. The breeze, which had been fickle throughout the race, was weakening again, and the two vessels were standing almost as rigidly and as upright as church steeples.

Enterprise's margin of victory was estimated at more than a thousand yards, but it was actually greater than the figures indicate, for apparently Mr. Vanderbilt, with a typically sportsman-like gesture, showed that he did not wish to make Shamrock's defeat too harsh. He, therefore, cruised up and down the finishing line before he decided to put the defender across it. For a few moments this manœuvre rather mystified the spectators, but when Enterprise finally poked her long nose across the line she was greeted with a roar of cheering, both for her victory and for her skipper's fine sportsmanship.

The reception that greeted Shamrock as she finished, less than three minutes later, was even more enthusiastic, and the cheering echoed up and down the coast. No sooner had Shamrock crossed the line than the flotilla of yachts and other crafts from which the spectators had been watching, headed home in a race for their anchorage ten miles away, and the first day of the America's Cup races was over.

BRITISH YACHT'S WIN.

SAN SEBASTIAN, Saturday.

The British yacht Sirena scored a win to-day in the eight metres class in the International regatta here.—*Reuter's Special*.

DEAR COAL AT GIBRALTAR.

A MASS PROTEST.

GIBRALTAR, Saturday.

Gibraltar was astir this afternoon with the rather unusual occasion of an outdoor demonstration, and all places of business were closed down. Ostensibly a Labour affair, and held under the auspices of the Transport and General Workers' Union, the demonstration was, however, attended by persons of all classes, the total attendance being 4,000.

From Commercial Square, where speeches were delivered, the demonstrators marched down the main street to Government House. There a resolution was handed in protesting against what is described as the letting by the Admiralty of all the coaling facilities in the port to one firm and urging a Government inquiry into the subject with a view to cancelling the arrangement, as the demonstrators are of opinion that it restricts competition, maintains a high local price for coal, and makes ships deviate from Gibraltar to the detriment of the town in general and of workers in particular.—*Reuter*.

DUKE RETURNS TO GLAMIS.

The Duke of York and his daughter, Princess Elizabeth, left Balmoral Castle yesterday for Glamis.

WOMEN MARCHERS' PROTEST.

PARADES "HELD UP TO RIDICULE."

A protest against women taking part with men in a march-past was made by Colonel C. F. Grantham chairman of the South-Eastern Area Council of the British Legion, at the annual conference yesterday at Southampton of Hampshire chairmen and secretaries of the Legion.

"They hold the parade up to ridicule," he said. "I myself have seen a woman pushing a perambulator in a march-past. The men's section must be paramount in the British Legion."

Mrs. Carteret Carey, chairman of the Women's Section, South-Eastern Area Council, agreed that women should not take part in march-pasts. The men did the fighting, and the women's part was to help and assist their work, not to "run the men."

SHARK HARPOONED BY LINER.

When in mid-Atlantic three days ago the White Star liner Homeric, which arrived at Southampton yesterday from New York, impaled a large shark upon her bows level with the water line.

It was killed, and remained there until yesterday afternoon, when it dropped off.

Court Circular.

BALMORAL CASTLE, Saturday.

The Duke of York, with Princess Elizabeth of York, has left the Castle.

The Archbishop of Canterbury has also left, and the Very Rev. Robert J. Drummond, D.D., has arrived.

Prince George is patron of the Annual Motor Ball and Carnival at Covent Garden, on October 22, in aid of the Motor Trade Benevolent Fund, which this year celebrates its silver jubilee anniversary.

The French Ambassador, M. de Fleuriau, yesterday visited the Sussex Eye Hospital, Brighton, where he was received by the President, Lady Barrett-Lennard, and shown over the institution.

The Chilean Ambassador and Mme. Villegas will return to London on October 1 from Geneva.

The Duke of Marlborough is spending a holiday at Aix-les-Bains.

The Earl and Countess of Kenmare will return to 117, Eaton Square, from Wales this week.

Viscount and Viscountess Hambleden returned to London yesterday from the Continent, and left immediately for Henley.

Viscountess Sandhurst will return from Scotland to Barley End, Tring, on the 21st.

Lord Trenchard and Lady Trenchard left Southampton yesterday for New York.

Lady Robert Manners will return to 20, Chester Street, on Friday from Scotland.

Lord and Lady Brownlow return to-day to 4, Seymour Street, from the Continent.

Lady Balfour of Burleigh will return to 31, Bedford Gardens, on Tuesday from Scotland.

Lord and Lady Moynihan and the Hon. Dorothy Moynihan will return to London from Canada on October 1.

Lady Cynthia Asquith will return to 8, Sussex Place, Regent's Park, on Wednesday.

Lord and Lady Daryngton will arrive at 65, Onslow Gardens, this week from Westmorland.

Lady Lawrence of Kingsgate will return to London towards the end of the month.

Lord and Lady Greenwood will return to London this week from the Continent.

Lord Forres was 70, Lord Birdwood 65, and Mr. Arthur Henderson 67 yesterday. Viscount Cecil of Chelwood is 66 to-day.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Baldwin will be back in London from the Continent at the end of the month.

Sir John and Lady Simon are expected to arrive back from the United States to-morrow.

Sir George Beharrell, managing director of the Dunlop Rubber Company, Limited, left yesterday for the United States on business. He expects to be away for about a month.

Mr. P. G. T. Kingsley, the Oxford cricket and Association football Blue, has joined the Duchy of Cornwall staff as assistant to the private secretary (Major H. McCormick).

OBITUARY.

THE REV. WILLIAM KENYON.

The Rev. William Trevor Kenyon, who died on Friday at St. Leonards-on-Sea, aged 83, was in his day at Harrow head of the school. He was the youngest son of the third Lord Kenyon, and fifty years ago was Surrogate of Chester.

FUNERALS.

LORD SHANDON.

A Low Mass of Requiem for Lord Shandon, former Lord Chancellor of Ireland, was said by Father Wilfred Owen, at the Church of Our Lady of Victories, High Street, Kensington, yesterday morning. Among those present were Sir John and Lady Snell, Sir Thomas Maloney, Sir James Dougherty, Sir Wyndham Dunstan (representing the Sudley Committee), Mr. G. Horan, K.C. (Master of the High Court, Irish Free State), and Mrs. Horan, Dr. and Mrs. Harold, Mr. J. Harold and Miss Harold, Miss Hood, Mr. T. Saunders, and Mr. A. O'Brien.

The interment took place later at Kensal Green Cemetery.

CANON NEWBOLT.

Members of St. Paul's Guild and St. Paul's Lecture Society, both of which he founded, will act as pall bearers at the funeral service of Canon Newbolt, for forty years a Canon of St. Paul's Cathedral, who died on Friday at his house in Amen Court, at the age of 86. The service will take place in the Cathedral on Tuesday morning at 11.30, and the interment will be at Northampton, where Canon Newbolt's wife is buried. The Dean of St. Paul's and the Archdeacon of London, Canon in Residence, will officiate at the Cathedral service.

Special reference to Canon Newbolt will be made by the Dean when he preaches in the Cathedral to-day at 3.15.

MAJOR G. A. FAULKNER.

The funeral of Major G. A. Faulkner, D.S.O., the South African Test player and cricket coach, who was found dead in a room at his cricket school at Walham Green last Wednesday, took place yesterday at North Sheen (Fulham) Cemetery. The only representative of the cricketing world present was Mr. P. F. Warner, the old Middlesex player. The principal mourners were the widow, Mr. R. P. McKenzie, and Mr. T. B. Reddick.

The burial service was read by the Rev. C. C. Higgs, assistant priest of St. Alban's, Fulham. The floral tributes included tokens from the past and present staff of the Faulkner School of Cricket and members of the India Gymkhana Club.

MISS JOAN MACDONALD.

The announcement of the engagement of Miss Joan MacDonald, second daughter of the Prime Minister, has been received in Lossiemouth with much satisfaction.

Conjecture is already strong as to where the wedding will take place, and great rejoicing will be witnessed in Lossiemouth if the ceremony is solemnised in the little old Presbyterian Church, where her father worshipped when a boy and where she herself is a regular attender when in the North.

ORIENTAL CARPETS.

Oriental carpets and rugs, some valued as high as £5,000 each, will be on exhibition and sale at the Grafton Galleries, Grafton Street, on September 17, 18, and 19. This collection is exceedingly valuable, and as many of the carpets will be sold without reserve, the sale affords a good opportunity to make purchases at a reasonable price.

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TRIBUTE FROM 22,000 WORKERS.

MEMORIAL TO THE LATE LORD LEVERHULME.

HIS EXAMPLE AND INSPIRATION.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PORT SUNLIGHT, Saturday.

Lord Leverhulme, in the name of his wife and family and all united by ties of kinship, expressed thanks for the beautiful tribute to his father's memory, which was unveiled here to-day.

It would, he said, be a reminder to all of the founder's work in industry, public service and in the world of art and education, as well as an enduring proof of the affection felt for him by those who knew him best. It was essentially the tribute of the great family of Lever Bros. here and throughout the world, and it was fitting that it should be unveiled by one who served his father for so long and from his early days.

It was the form of memorial which his father would have desired, and he would have been very proud to feel that his memory would be perpetuated by such a fine example of the work of one of our most eminent sculptors, Mr. Reid Dick, R.A.

LADY LEVERHULME'S MEMORY.

Lord Leverhulme added that he felt that his father would have wished the memorial to be placed where it was, in front of the Art Gallery he built in memory of his wife, without whose gracious influence and unselfish faith he, himself, had doubted if the great business could ever have become what he lived to see it.

Around the memorial was a great concourse of the public and of representatives of all village institutions, including school children, who marched to the site headed by the City of Glasgow Pipe Band, and there was a piper's lament and brief dedicatory prayer.

Mr. Peacock, who served 43½ years with the firm, said that day took him back to memories of a master whose sincerity in the cause of humanity was an example to all. The memorial would remind them that he was still with them in spirit, and his influence would remain for ever.

22,000 SUBSCRIBERS.

Dr. Darcy Cooper, chairman of Lever Bros., said the memorial represented a general desire to have some permanent sign of the affection and respect for the founder, and subscriptions had poured in from all grades of employees from every company associated with their late chief. It was fitting that the memorial should stand with the wonderful Art Gallery, one of the most splendid tributes to the memory of a wife that any man had created. It would stand as a lasting record of their admiration and affection.

Mr. L. J. Fergusson, a director of the company, in asking Lord Leverhulme to accept the memorial, said there were 22,000 subscribers, representing practically every country in the world. Mr. Dick had embodied in his design indications of the leading attributes of the founder, and the inscription recorded that he was a "man remarkable for his business ability, his public benefactions, and his love of beauty and art." The principal characteristic of their late chairman was his power to inspire all with whom he came in contact with his own boundless energy, enthusiasm, and ability.

PRINCESS MARY

A GUEST AT DALMENY HOUSE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

EDINBURGH, Saturday.

Princess Mary and the Earl of Harewood, who arrived here to-night, will be the guests of Lord and Lady Rosebery at Dalmeny House, and will attend the Edinburgh race meeting at Musselburgh on Monday and Tuesday.

Lord Rosebery is a steward of the meeting, and in honour of the Royal visit the King has entered a candidate for one of the races.

On Tuesday, Princess Mary will visit the Glencorse Barracks of the Royal Scots, of which regiment she is Colonel-in-Chief. After being introduced to the officers she will make a tour of the depot. At her own request the ordinary routine of the day is to be proceeded with, and Her Royal Highness will watch the recruit squads at drill.

As her visit to the barracks is of a private nature no members of the general public will be admitted, but those present will include Major-General W. J. Maxwell Scott, C.B., D.S.O., a great grandson of Sir Walter Scott of Abbotsford, who commands the 52nd Lowland Division and Lowland Area.

On Wednesday forenoon Princess Mary will declare open the new housing scheme of Edinburgh Corporation at Niddrie, and following that she will proceed to the Usher Hall, where at noon she is to receive the freedom of the city. After the ceremony she will be the guest of the city at luncheon in the City Chambers.

The Royal Scots Club, in Abercromby Place, will be visited in the afternoon, and after an inspection of the premises she will declare open the new wing. She will leave for York in the evening.

The house party at Dalmeny during Her Royal Highness's visit will include the Marchioness of Linlithgow, the Marquis of Zetland, the Earl and Countess of Haddington, Lord and Lady Digby, Lord Dalmeny, Major and Mrs. Murray Graham, Major M. H. Milner, and Miss Clayton.

MUSIC IN THE PARKS.

The Royal Parks Band, augmented to thirty-seven performers, will play in Hyde Park this afternoon from 3 to 5, and this evening from 7 to 9.

In Kensington Gardens the Kensington Volunteers will play from 3 to 5 this afternoon and from 6 to 8 this evening.

CADETS ON PARADE.

About 2,000 members of the British Legion, with fifty standards from branches in Berks, Hants, and Surrey, will parade this morning with the Cadets at the Royal Military College, Sandhurst, for a march past and service. The parade will be inspected on the parade ground of the R.M.C. by the Commandant, Major-General E. S. Girdwood.

In the march past the standards of the South-Eastern Area of the Legion will be carried by two holders of the V.C., and the salute will be taken by Brig.-General E. J. P. Hornby, V.C. The service on the cricket field will be conducted by the Chaplain of the R.M.C.

COCKTAIL COMPETITION.

The perfect cocktail is to make an appearance in London to-morrow, when the first international cocktail competition to be held in Great Britain will take place at the headquarters in London of the International Geneva Association of Hotel and Restaurant Employees. "The recipe," to quote the rules, "must be an original one, invented by the competitor, and must not be a repetition of any already known drink." The names of the new mixtures include White Flame, Sunset Glow, The Pink 'Un, Cherub's Kiss, and Au Revoir.

The organiser of the competition is Mr. B. Paul, a former assistant manager of a West End restaurant, and the competition will be judged by panels of juries, each consisting of six persons—two members of the public (a man and a woman), one representative of the trade, one representative of the Press, one maître d'hôtel, and one wine butler. Each jury will taste only five drinks.

LONDON DOCKS WEEK.

WORLD'S GREATEST PORT ON VIEW.

RIVER EXCURSIONS.

Although London is still the greatest port in the world, its docks are unfamiliar and unknown to the majority of citizens. The Port of London Authority has recently completed twenty-one years of work in the dockyard area, efforts which have culminated in the great new Tilbury landing stage. To celebrate the event, a series of twenty or thirty river excursions has been arranged, so that the lower reaches of the Thames, the docks and warehouses, and the great steamers in port can be seen by parties of visitors.

The P.L.A. is co-operating in the scheme with a dozen of the large steamship companies, and a "London Docks Week" Committee has been formed, with headquarters at Royal Mail House, to organise parties of 150-200 persons who will be conducted down river from next Saturday onwards.

"Trips to the docks," said one of the Docks Week organisers yesterday, "are sometimes arranged by the Port of London Authority for small parties, but nothing on the present scale has ever been attempted before. The idea rose partly in the minds of the P.L.A., who felt that Londoners knew far too little about their own port, and partly with the Dockland Settlements and the London Hospital, two great institutions which have much to do with the life of that part of London. The Hospital and the Settlements will benefit from the excursions, as we have arranged to charge visitors a small sum for their tour. Afternoon trips will be about 6s. 6d. a head, including tea, while an all-day trip (including lunch as well as tea) will probably be from 12s. 6d. to 15s.

MEALS IN LINERS.

"All the excursions will be made down river in a steamer—either an ordinary river-steamer or a tug-boat—and each party will be landed at one or more of the large docks to make a tour conducted by a P.L.A. guide. They will probably visit at the same time some of the more interesting warehouses. Steamers will start from Westminster or the Tower Pier, and the L.M.S. railway company are running special trains for us to Tilbury. We hope to be able to show from 4,000 to 5,000 people round the docks during our week, but the work of the P.L.A. and the various shipping companies has to go on uninterrupted, and visits must in consequence be carefully timed. It will probably be in the big liners that our excursionists will get their meals.

"Among the sights which we have permission to show are the great refrigerating plants, and the tobacco warehouses. Among other places to visit there are twenty-eight miles of wine vaults at the London docks alone, and you can get all the odours of the East in the spice warehouses. Then there is the ivory warehouse, with all the tusks lying about, including the fossil mammoth ivory recently brought to this country, the timber ponds, the Docks Museum, and the shell warehouse of St. Katherine's docks.

WHERE PIRATES WERE HANGED.

"It should be possible, too, to give our passengers some idea of the historical side of the docks. 'Execution Dock,' where the pirates were hanged, has gone now, but Wapping Old Stairs are still to be seen. We hope, too, to be able to give a general view of the working of the P.L.A. system, not merely as it affects a single dock, but as the various dock systems work in both with sea traffic and with the Thames barges. Clearly, even the most intelligent visitor who gets a permit from the P.L.A. and visits a dock or two at holiday time, cannot get a living idea of dockland without a full view of the various forms of labour and an explanation of their division. This we hope to provide, as well as to give some local knowledge of a part of London which is, generally speaking, inaccessible. In most ports the docks are exposed to the visitor, but it is possible here to spend a whole day in the Dockland Settlement itself without coming directly into contact with the shipping or the warehouses."

The full programmes of the various excursions will be issued to-morrow, when tickets for single trips can be obtained through the usual agencies. Docks Week will begin next Saturday, and continue for a week.

LABOUR GOVERNMENT IN OILS.

SIR J. LAVERY'S PAINTING.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

GLASGOW, Saturday.

Sir John Lavery, R.A., has asked Glasgow Corporation to accept the gift of his painting of the House of Commons, showing the first Labour Government in power.

The Parks Committee has recommended acceptance of the gift, and the matter will come before the Corporation. The painting shows Mr. Ramsay MacDonald addressing the Commons, with several of his then Cabinet colleagues on the Government benches.

A few years ago Glasgow Corporation purchased a painting of the House of Lords by Sir John Lavery, the price paid being 500 guineas.

JAPANESE ROYAL VISITORS.

Prince and Princess Takamatsu, of Japan, visited the shipbuilding and engineering works of Vickers Armstrongs, Ltd., at Barrow, yesterday.

After their tour of inspection the Royal visitors left to spend the week-end in the Lake District.

HYDE PARK CARILLON.

A recital on the Wellington (New Zealand) War Memorial Carillon in Hyde Park will be given to-night by Miss Gladys Watkins. In a few weeks' time the Carillon will be dismantled and shipped to New Zealand. The final recitals will be given in a fortnight's time. To-night's programme is as follows:—"Concerto Vivaldi" (Gruytersbook); "Largo" (Handel); Solveig's Song (Grieg); "Anitra's Dance" (Grieg); "Come Unto Him" ("Messiah," Handel); "Serenade" (Schubert); "Lead Kindly Light"; "Nocturne" (Chopin); and God Save the King.

PALACE PAVING-STONES.

The paving-stones which are at present being removed from Buckingham Palace, where they have formed the underground passages for the last 230 years, are to remain in this country.

A number of wealthy Americans had made strenuous efforts to obtain the stones for their own homes, but at the last minute a London firm beat the highest American bid, and the paving has been secured by Messrs. Keogh and Young, of Berkeley Road, Kingsbury, N.W.

BRUNETTE CARNIVAL QUEEN.

From twenty-four beautiful girls from all parts of the North a queen and a princess were chosen yesterday at Morecambe's twelfth annual carnival.

The competition, organised by the *Daily Dispatch*, attracted the entries of over 500 girls, and these were reduced to twenty-four. A large crowd assembled in the gardens yesterday to witness the final judging by Miss Frances Lockett, cotton queen of Britain; Miss Julia Cairns, of London; and the Mayoress of Morecambe, Mrs. J. Carleton.

Miss Alys Milner, of Thornton, near Blackpool, a graceful, tall brunette, was finally chosen as the Carnival Queen, with Miss Irene Jones, Lancaster, and Miss Molly Pyrah, Morecambe, as maids of honour.

Miss Roselie Lockett, of Frodsham, was elected carnival princess.

MR. ARNOLD LUPTON'S £500 FUNERAL.

"A GOOD LUNCHEON FOR MOURNERS."

£5,000 TO OPPOSE VACCINATION.

Remarkable instructions as to his funeral, involving a total expenditure of about £500, were contained in the will of Mr. Arnold Lupton, of Victoria Street, S.W., a mining engineer and formerly Liberal M.P. for the Sleaford Division of Lincolnshire.

Mr. Lupton's estate has been sworn at £5,896 gross, with net personalty £4,583. In his will he directed:—

that the sum of £400 shall be spent for cremation or burial and funeral expenses, "and if that is not enough another hundred be spent," the ashes interred in Sidmouth Parish Churchyard, together with those of his mother and sister, a suitable inscription to be placed on the tomb, and, if necessary, "a new tomb might be made, and some pretty figures placed on it, and a small garden be made beside the tomb, and a sum of £100 be invested for the maintenance thereof."

Mr Lupton left £300 to his wife to pay her for the trouble of carrying out the will, adding: "I wish her to offer a good luncheon to all the people who come to the funeral, relatives, friends, or acquaintances, and to arrange this at some convenient restaurant."

Other bequests included:—

£5,000 to the National Anti-Vaccination League; £200 to Dr. Walter Walsh, leader of the Free Religious Movement; £50 to George Ledger, Political and Economic Circle of the National Liberal Club.

Subject to a few other legacies the residue of the estate is left to his wife and Mr. Lupton expressed the hope that she would give £100 to the Rev. Frederick Hankinson, Unitarian Minister, who "visited me in prison."

£10 FOR FUNERAL.

Leaving estate valued at £9,195 gross, with net personalty £5,679, Mr. George James White, of Laburnum Grove, Portsmouth, a retired commercial traveller, directed that the expenses of his funeral should not exceed £10.

A MAHARAJAH'S WIDOW.

The Maharanee Ada Douglas Duleep Singh, of Littlecot, Madeira Park, Tunbridge Wells, widow (by second marriage) of the Maharajah Duleep Singh (who was required to resign his rulership after the second Sikh War), left unsettled property in England of the gross value of £53,851, with net personalty £37,329. She directed that her body be burnt and the ashes disposed of in such manner as her trustees may think fit.

SIR CONAN DOYLE'S BROTHER-IN-LAW.

Mr. Patrick Stewart Leckie, of the Victoria Hotel, Northumberland Avenue, a brother-in-law of the late Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, left £45,829 gross, with net personalty £45,056. He bequeathed:—

£500 to Major Alfred Henry Wood, secretary to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle.
£250 to his clerk, Henry Teevan Power.
£100 to his clerk, John Henry Mowat.
£50 to Henry Wilson, "my waiter at the City of London Club."

HOUSES FOR HOUSEKEEPER.

Mr. Jonathan Holmes, of Lumley Street, Whitwood Mere, near Castleford, left £8,249 gross, with net personalty £5,996. He bequeathed:—

£400, his household furniture and personal effects, and Nos. 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, and 28, Wilson Street, and Nos. 11, 13, and 15, Lower Oxford Street, Castleford, to his housekeeper, if in his service at the time of his death.

OTHER WILLS.

	GROSS VALUE.
PETER MacCALLUM LANG, of Lindores, 22, Newark Street, Greenock, iron and steel merchant and shipowner, and during the war Steel Controller for the Clyde district (personal estate in Great Britain)	£230,494
CHARLES HENRY BRAMPTON, of Ladywood Road, Four Oaks, Sutton Coldfield, a director of Brampton Bros. Ltd., chain manufacturers (net personalty £72,201)	77,423
Sir WILLIAM FRANCIS CLERKE, eleventh baronet, of Lennox Gardens, S.W., a former chairman of the Royal Hospital for Incurables, Putney (net personalty £40,382)	50,358
CHARLES JOHN BAKER, M.A., of Clinton House, Kingsland, Shrewsbury, for forty years science master at Shrewsbury School (net personalty £23,773)	23,837
The Rt. Rev. Dr. ROBERT EDWARD TREFUSIS, of The Close, Exeter, late Bishop Suffragan of Crediton and Archdeacon of Barnstaple (unsettled property in his own disposition) (net personalty £2,878)	3,104
Mrs. JANE MARSH, M.B.E., of Stow Park, Newport, Mon., chairman of the Women's section of the Newport Conservative Association, who took a prominent part in the Primrose League organisation in Monmouthshire and South Wales (unsettled personal estate of the net value of)	2,352

A LINK WITH EDISON.

A lovely freehold residential property of much interest (particularly so to Americans) is now in the market. It stands on the crest of Norwood Heights, and was the house in which the inventions of Edison connected with the telephone, gramophone, etc., were first officially tested.

Another feature of the property is the old Spa Mineral Well—at one time the Wells of Beulah were both famous and fashionable.

AUTHORITY ON ANTIQUES.

The death has taken place at Edinburgh of Mr. Jonathan Lyon, managing director and chairman of Messrs. Lyon and Turnbull, Ltd., auctioneers, who was one of the best authorities on antiques in the country. During his sixty years' service with the firm he became known to a large circle of friends, for in the art of auctioneering he had a distinct individuality.

His last auction was at the beginning of this year, when he sold a Kilmarnock edition of Robert Burns for £500.

QUEEN'S HALL CONCERTS.

Sir Henry Wood will conduct the first performance of Sir Edward Elgar's Fifth "Pomp and Circumstance" March at the Promenade Concert on Saturday.

Sir Edward Elgar's intention was to compose a series of six military marches. The first of the "Pomp and Circumstance" series was published in 1902; the second and third works followed in quick succession, and "Pomp and Circumstance" No. 4 appeared in 1907; and now, after an interval of twenty-three years, No. 5 is to be given at the Queen's Hall.

THE DOMINICAN HURRICANE.

Sir Arthur Stanley, chairman of the executive of the British Red Cross Society, has received a cable from the President of the Red Cross of the Dominican Republic, in acknowledgment of the donation of £500 he sent last Wednesday, on behalf of the British Red Cross, for the relief of the suffering caused by the recent hurricane disaster.

Over £400 has already been received by the British Red Cross Society for the £5,000 fund it has opened to supplement its own donation. Among the contributions is one of £250 from Mr. A. M. Fry, of Bristol.

MEMORIAL SERVICE AT SEA.

Rear-Admiral R. A. Hornell and the civic heads of Hull, Grimsby, and Goole will attend the Humber Ports Naval Memorial Service organised by the British Legion today. Wearing uniforms and decorations, those taking part will form a procession at the Guildhall and embark on a steamer at Victoria Pier for Spurn Head, where wreaths will be cast into the sea and a solemn remembrance made of the men who lost their lives in the war.

There will be a guard of honour at Victoria Pier, and Rear-Admiral Hornell will be piped on board the steamer. Bereaved relatives will be allocated special accommodation, and a special steamer will be run for the general public.

AN UNSETTLED WEEK-END.

INTERMITTENT RAIN.

CHANCE OF TEMPORARY IMPROVEMENT.

ENGLAND. — Wind south-west, veering west to north-west, fresh or strong at times; mainly cloudy, intermittent rain, perhaps local thunder; moderate temperature.

SCOTLAND. — Wind north-east, backing north, moderate or fresh; dull, rainy, probably some improvement later; moderate temperature.

IRELAND.—Wind northerly, fresh or strong, moderating later; cloudy, some showers, bright intervals later; moderate temperature.

ENGLISH CHANNEL. — Wind south-west, veering west to north-west, fresh or strong at times; rain at times; visibility moderate to good; sea rough.

AIR PASSAGES. — Winds south-westerly, 15 to 25 m.p.h. at surface, 30 to 35 m.p.h. at 2,000 ft. Some rain or showers in most places perhaps with thunder locally. Visibility improving to 6 to 12 miles, but 2,000 yards in rain at times.

By OUR METEOROLOGICAL EXPERT.

Dismal weather prevailed in England yesterday owing to abundance of cloud and rain. Early morning readings in most places were about 55 deg., although at Portland Bill the night reading did not fall lower than 58 deg. There was little range of temperature throughout the British Isles, and at 2 p.m. thermometer readings varied a few degrees each side of 60 deg. The reading at Kew Observatory was 60 deg.

The complete change of wind with the deterioration in the weather was due to the arrival of a fresh disturbance from the Atlantic south-west of these islands. By early afternoon rain was falling over practically the whole of England.

During the first five days of the month forty-seven hours' bright sunshine was recorded at Kew Observatory, but the last four days have added only six hours; the present total of sixty-six hours is just about the normal amount for the first part of September. Rain, too, is normal at Kew to date, the amount being 1 in.; but at Gorleston, where one storm alone gave over an inch of rain, the total is now practically 2¼ in., or ½ in. more than the normal for the whole month.

Further showers are likely to-day in most parts, with fair intervals. Temperature will not change appreciably, but the air may feel somewhat more bracing after the wind changes to the north side of west.

ELEPHANT ON STRIKE AT THE ZOO.

RARE DWARF BABY.

By OUR ZOO CORRESPONDENT.

A lazy elephant can be extremely obstinate, and one of the Zoo's large Burmese elephants is proving rather a problem, for, though trained as a riding animal, she steadily refuses to work for her living. When this elephant—Nurjahar—first arrived at the Zoo, three years ago, she was not expected to carry passengers on her back because she was accompanied by a calf, and her maternal duties kept her busy and made her nervous.

When, some months later, the young animal was mature enough to leave his mother, the Zoo sent for a mahout to separate the two elephants and persuade Nurjahar that it was her duty to part with her offspring and resume work. Nurjahar, however, refused to listen to these arguments, and, as her reluctance to work was thought to be due largely to grief over her loss, she was left alone for a time. But evidently the elephant was not grieved, but lazy, for a mahout has spent much time during the last few weeks trying to induce her to carry a load on her back and has met with no success.

As long as she is in her den, doing nothing, Nurjahar is amiable and docile, but as soon as she is taken out to be trained she becomes obstinate and far from sweet-tempered. She will not have a howdah strapped on her back, and when the mahout rides on her head she employs every possible means of getting rid of him, and usually manages it.

PRAYER AND LECTURE.

The Zoo's riding elephants enjoy a well-deserved reputation for docility and patience, and on the rare occasions when one has shown signs of feeling disposed to go on strike, the trouble has been easily settled by a mahout, his method being to go down on his knees in front of the animal, utter prayers, and then lecture her in the language she understands on the wickedness of not earning the food she eats. But these methods have made no impression upon Nurjahar.

Though it is getting late for Zoo babies, two animals were born in the menagerie during last week. One was of little zoological importance, since the youngster was an Indian muntjak or barking-deer, and these animals breed regularly in the Gardens, but the other birth was more rare, the baby being an anoa. The anoa is a species of dwarf cattle peculiar to the Celebes Islands, of which the Zoo is not always fortunate enough to possess examples.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

A shark, weighing thirty pounds, was caught by fishermen in Sandown Bay yesterday.

The annual exhibition of students' work of St. Martin's School of Art will be held on Wednesday and Thursday from 3 to 9 p.m.

The body of an unknown man, aged between 65 and 70, and believed to have been in the Thames for two or three weeks, was found at Battersea yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Ball, of Ilsington, Newton Abbot, have celebrated the seventy-second anniversary of their wedding. Mr. Ball is 94 and his wife 90.

In a field in the vicinity of South Mimms yesterday an elderly tramp between 65 and 70 years was found dead, death, according to a doctor, being due to fatty degeneration of the heart.

Mr. Arthur Tuffield, of Cambridge, was found dead on a chair in his bathroom, the gas of which had been partly turned on by his son, who, with the widow, had just returned from a holiday.

ALONE IN THE AIR.
BY THE EARL OF CARDIGAN
IN TO-MORROW'S *DAILY SKETCH*.

The Rev. A. A. Green, minister of the Hampstead Synagogue for thirty-eight years, who preached his farewell sermon yesterday, is to be succeeded by Rabbi Gollop, who has been minister of the Bayswater Synagogue.

Mr. Justice Charles, who presented the South Coast Amateur Rowing trophies at Brighton yesterday, said that as there was no trophy for novices, who ought to be encouraged, he would give a cup for the novices' fours.

The International Sleeping Car Company announces that from to-morrow their newest Grand Luxe single-berth cars will be placed in service on the Nord Express between Paris-Berlin and Paris-Warsaw sections.

Refitted since her return from the China Station, where she served as depot ship for the Fourth Submarine Flotilla, the depot ship Titania is to be commissioned at Chatham on October 1 for duties at Portland as depot ship of the Sixth Submarine Flotilla.

Orders have been given for a navigating party to be sent from the Royal Naval Depot, Chatham, to Wallsend-on-Tyne to commission on October 9 the new minesweeping sloop, Hindustan, which has been built by Messrs. Swan, Hunter, and Wigham Richardson, Ltd., for the Royal Indian marine.

A Private View
of the
1930 AUTUMN MODE

Will take place in the Display Hall in the afternoons, at 3 o'clock, Monday, Sept. 22, to Friday, Sept. 26th, inclusive. The well-known Mannequins Ivette and Andrea Mijinska will attend. As the number of seats is strictly limited, admission is by ticket only. Applications for tickets should be sent by post—please state which afternoon you desire to be present

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Imitation Kid Paw Fur Fabric. 48 ins. wide. Price, per yard, 24/9 and 26/9

Imitation Summer Ermine. 48 ins. wide. Price, per yard, 23/6

Imitation Alpaca Squirrel. 48 ins. wide. Price, per yard, 21/9 and 29/11

Imitation Wool Ermine. 48 ins. wide. Price, per yard, 16/11

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COTTON TRADE REVIVAL.

SIR KENNETH STEWART'S CONFIDENCE.

CHEAPER SUPPLIES.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

There is a widely-held belief in Lancashire that the cotton industry is about to experience a revival.

While it is true that one of the largest firms in the trade closed down temporarily yesterday, throwing nearly 5,000 operatives out of work, the reason for that step is that the warehouses are full of finished goods, and until a large portion is cleared, manufacture is bound to cease. On the other hand a number of mills in East and South-East Lancashire—after being closed for many months—have reopened; others are to resume operations during the next fortnight, and several that have been on systematic short time for some years are about to run the full number of hours.

One of the chief factors in the revival that is said to be at hand is the decline in the prices of raw cotton.

Sir Kenneth Stewart, chairman of the Lancashire Cotton Corporation, said yesterday that he had every confidence that the coming year would be a good one for the industry.

"With American cotton at sixpence a pound—the lowest price for fifteen years—and increased inquiries for goods, both at home and abroad, hopes of a revival are growing," added Sir Kenneth. "There is a general feeling that prices have touched bottom, and that increased demand will come with a recovery of confidence. Foreign markets are almost a vacuum, and a demand for Lancashire goods is inevitable.

"For months the leading manufacturers have been reducing their prices, until to-day it is possible to purchase at cheaper rates than for years past. Large retailers are taking advantage of the decreased quotations, and are purchasing in larger quantities than they have done for some years.

"The shelves of Eastern bazaars and retail stores must be nearly empty, and will have to be replenished. It is inevitable that large scale buying for the East must shortly take place, and Lancashire, and more particularly East Lancashire, is bound to benefit. If the Government succeeds in coming to an understanding with the Indian people, and Lancashire will organise, it will make all the difference between adversity and prosperity.

"Organisation to exploit the opportunities that are coming is essential. If not, the 'revival' will be a mere flash in the pan, to be succeeded by a further decline."

SUICIDE IN HIS CABIN.

MYSTERY OF U.S. NAVAL OFFICER'S DEATH.

No explanation was forthcoming at the inquest, at Southampton, yesterday, to account for the suicide of Lieut.-Commander Benjamin Franklin Staud, of the United States Navy, who, on Friday, shot himself in his cabin in the cruiser Houston, anchored in Southampton Water. Commander Staud, whose home was at Norfolk, Virginia, was 34 years of age.

On Thursday evening the Commander was granted shore leave. He returned to the Houston in the early hours of Friday with several other officers. An hour and a half later a shot was heard, and fellow officers who hastened to the cabin found Commander Staud, lying on his back, dead. Near his right hand lay an automatic pistol.

At yesterday's inquest, Lieut.-Commander Bertram Groesbeck, of the United States Medical Corps, stated that they had been unable to ascertain any reason for the tragedy. There had been no quarrel and Staud appeared to be sober when he entered the cabin.

The coroner returned a verdict of suicide, remarking that there was no evidence to show the state of the man's mind.

ALLEGED ATTACK WITH CORROSIVE FLUID.

MIDNIGHT ARREST AFTER DOG RACE INCIDENT.

An attack on a woman, by throwing corrosive fluid, which is alleged to have occurred on Friday night at Wimbledon Greyhound Racing Stadium, was described at Wimbledon Police Court yesterday when Thomas Davis, 32, a chauffeur, of no fixed abode, was charged with causing grievous bodily harm to Fanny Simmonds, 32, by throwing corrosive fluid over her face, neck, and hands and burning her. He was remanded for a week.

Div. Det.-Inspector Thomas Divers said that at 12.15 a.m. he went to a house in Risborough Street, Southwark, and knocked at the open door. Davis came along the passage, fully dressed, and said, "All right, governor; I'm here if you want me." As he was placing Davis in the car Davis said: "I know I did it. Is she much hurt?"

Davis was taken to Earlsfield police station, where he was again told the charge in detail. He said, "She drove me to it."

On this evidence the inspector asked for a remand. "I understand," he said, "that this young woman is very seriously burnt about the face, neck, and hands, and is likely to be in hospital for six weeks." He added that she was in the Nelson Hospital, Merton.

The Clerk: Is her life in danger?—At the moment the doctor would not like to say.

TRAFFIC CONTROL.

ROAD PATROLS IN COUNTRY DISTRICTS.

The continuous growth in the number of motor vehicles in Britain is gradually intensifying the problem of regulating motor traffic—nominally in the hands of the police—but carried out to a very large extent in country districts by the road patrols of the principal motoring organisations.

Tentative suggestions have been made from time to time for the formation of a new and official body of men to be engaged solely as traffic police.

There can be no question that where traffic points are under the control of the patrols of the motoring organisations the work is efficiently carried out. This is borne out by the fact that the R.A.C. has provided, at the request of the police authorities, R.A.C. guides to undertake the work of traffic regulation in twenty-three towns in different parts of the country. These towns include such places as Portsmouth, Grantham, Torquay, Scarborough, Warwick, Newmarket, and Douglas.

There are still very many cross-roads and other points where a traffic regulator of some description is required. During the past six months the R.A.C. has been asked to provide patrols at a very large number of these points.

PRESENTATION TO SUPT. BOSHIER.

Tribute was paid by the magistrates of the Woking Petty Sessions yesterday to Superintendent Ernest Boshier on his retirement after thirty-six years service in the Surrey Constabulary. On behalf of the Bench, Mr Alfred Brown, the chairman, presented the superintendent with a silver salver, and to Mrs. Boshier was given a silver teapot.

Superintendent Boshier had charge of a number of important inquiries, including those in the Vaquier case. Recently he was awarded the King's Police Medal.

A PAGEANT OF TRANSPORT.

RAILWAY CENTENARY WEEK.

GENERAL DAWES'S TRIBUTE.

"WORLD'S DEBT TO BRITAIN."

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday.

With pageantry on a scale that has never been previously known in Britain, there was begun in Liverpool to-day a great National Railway Week to commemorate the centenary of the opening, 100 years ago, of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway, the real forerunner of the vast British railway system that exists to-day.

Months of careful preparation, to which an expenditure of £40,000 has been devoted, reached their culmination to-day, when the week of activities was formally inaugurated by General Charles G. Dawes, the American Ambassador to Great Britain, who, at noon, performed the opening ceremony at St. George's Hall.

NEW ERA LAUNCHED.

"It is a world event," General Dawes declared. "In these surroundings, upon this railroad, a hundred years ago, there opened a new era for humanity; an era in which both the needs of mankind and the means of supplying them were immensely diversified and multiplied. It was this railroad which became the model for an immediate world imitation.

"With the development of great enterprises great men are always associated, and those who contributed a hundred years ago to the launching of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway were confronted by obstacles which to the mediocre would have seemed insurmountable. These obstacles required for their overcoming business and political leadership of the highest order. The financiers, business men, and statesmen who carried this enterprise through its early stages have justly found an enduring place in history.

"But, standing out before them all in the minds of the world are the two Stephensons and their little locomotive, the 'Rocket,' with its tubular boiler and its draught-creating steam-blast.

"When upon this then little railroad were laid the foundations of successful steam transportation on land, there were laid also the foundations of changes in the social and business organisation of the civilised world which have made the last century distinctive in its history.

"Great as have been the beneficial changes in the life of this island which the railroad has wrought, the debt of distant countries to this achievement of British genius is even greater than that of the British people themselves."

A DEBT ACKNOWLEDGED.

General Dawes referred to the visit of the great British locomotive, King George V., to the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Centenary, and added that in 1933 there would come to the United States, at the Century of Progress Exposition at Chicago, the steam-engine "Rocket," which had been loaned by the Government for its first visit outside of the British Isles. With it would be the "Royal Scot." Surrounding the "Rocket" would be placed the distinctive modern locomotives of different parts of the world.

"By this," he concluded, "we hope to symbolise appropriately at one and the same time the greatness of the gift by Britain of modern transportation to the world, and the full appreciation by the world of the debt it owes her."

During the week of the celebrations more than 250,000, it is estimated, will come to the city, and between now and next Saturday over 200 special trains will be run to Liverpool. Accommodation in the city has been heavily taxed, and the streets this morning were thronged with strangers from all parts of the country, admiring the amazing street decorations, on the completion of which a small army of men worked far into the night.

THE MAIN EXHIBITS.

In St. George's Hall there has been gathered together a unique exhibition of railway models, historic documents,, and relics, but the main part of the celebrations, to which General Dawes, accompanied by the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, proceeded after performing the opening ceremony, is being held at Sefton Park, Wavertree.

There is being staged this afternoon and to-night the Great Pageant of Transport, in which 3,500 actual performers and 500 stage workers are taking part. Held on a stage 100 yards in width, and produced on a lavish and spectacular scale, it takes the form of an episodic history of transport from the days of the cavemen down to a great finale representing the opening of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway on September 15, 1830.

Hundreds of girls wearing only flimsy dresses were soaked to the skin, and the vast arena itself was turned into a morasse when an incessant downpour of rain fell drenchingly upon the first performance. The rain, which had held off until after the formal opening of the celebrations earlier in the day, descended in a steady drizzle, afterwards growing into a downpour just as the curtain was rung up.

So steady did the rain fall that the soft ground trodden by the feet of players and spectators soon became a bog, while on the 100 yards wide stage itself the 3,500 participants in the pageant were almost fully exposed to the downpour. Elaborate emergency arrangements were made by the pageant organisers to dry the rain-soaked costumes of the performers. These costumes, many of which are of considerable value, were taken from the performers as they came off the stage, and the clothes were rushed in motor-lorries to a nearby swimming baths where they were hurriedly dried and taken back to the pageant, so that they were bone dry for the second performance to-night.

In another part of the Railway Fair at Sefton Park is a representative railway exhibition of locomotives and rolling stock from a replica of Stephenson's "Rocket" to the mammoth engine built this year by the L.M.S. Railway, while on a circular track the veteran locomotive Lion, one of the original Liverpool and Manchester engines, is hauling a train of replica coaches in which visitors may travel just as their forefathers did between Liverpool and Manchester 100 years ago.

THE ORIGINAL ROUTE.

On Monday, September 15, the actual date of the centenary opening of the railway, the Lord Mayor of Liverpool will proceed by special train over the original route of the Liverpool and Manchester line, and on arrival at Manchester will be received by the Lord Mayor of that city, where a special commemorative service will follow.

During the other days of the centenary week Lord Derby, the Earl of Crawford and Balcarres, Sir Josiah Stamp, and Miss Molly Brown (the Railway Queen) will preside at ceremonies in connection with the celebrations.

INJURED MAN: IDENTITY QUEST.

Scotland Yard are anxious to obtain information which will lead to discovering the identity of a man, aged between 45 and 50, believed to be a visitor to London, who is lying unconscious in St. George's Hospital.

The only clue found on him is an L.M.S. railway ticket from Kingstown to Holyhead He was knocked down by a motor-car at the Brook Street crossing in Hyde Park on Friday night and taken to the hospital suffering from concussion.

Court and Society

There was great disappointment when the terribly wet weather made it impossible for the King and Queen to attend the Braemar Gathering on Thursday. This is the second time in five years that rain has spoilt this historic gathering, though in 1925 their Majesties did attend the Gathering in spite of the downpours.

The ex-King and Queen of Greece have been staying for the past week as the guests of Mrs. Murray Guthrie at Torosay Castle, in the Isle of Mull. They have been very much amused and interested in various expeditions on which their hostess has taken them. These included a visit to Iona, and tea at Duart Castle with Sir Fitzroy Maclean, the ninety-five-year-old Chief of the Clan Maclean. They have also been to see the Oban games, and Mrs. Guthrie had over 700 people at a fête for the Argyllshire Conservative Association (she is vice-chairman of the women's branch, and is to become chairman early next month). Torosay is a delightful castle, built in the Scottish turreted style. It has beautiful grounds, and the gardens and terraces, which were designed and carried out by the late Mr. Murray Guthrie, are always greatly admired for their quaint series of statues standing among clipped yews, and the serried rows of urns which stand a-top of the long terrace.

The Earl and Countess of Bessborough are among a favoured few who possess their own private theatre, and in it they arranged to stage "The Taming of the Shrew" during the past few days, giving five performances in all. This will be the fourth Shakespeare play to be produced by the Stansted Players since the society was founded by Lord Bessborough in 1927, when he built this delightful little playhouse alongside his home at Stansted in Sussex. But Shakespeare is not all that has been done by them, for they have produced "Aladdin," "Trilby," and the Cornish mystery play "St. George and the Dragon," the last having had a cast of junior Stansted players. "The Cat and the Cherub" and "A Pantomime Rehearsal" (that most hoary favourite of amateurs!) also stand to their credit, while last year "Outward Bound" was added to the list. The membership of the Stansted Players includes, besides the Earl and Countess of Bessborough and Viscount Duncannon, about forty others, such as Lady Susan Birch, Mrs. Bartlett, Miss Joan Buckmaster, Miss Dorothy Freshwater, Mrs. H. Howard, Mrs. Arthur James, Miss Gwendolen Armstrong Jones, Miss Katherine Wyld, Mr. Ralph Alderson, Mr. Wyndham Bird, the Hon. Geoffrey Browne, the Hon. Denys Buckley, Major Arthur Clarke Jervoise, Mr. John Crichton, Major T. W. G. Davis, Mr. Hubert Langley, Mr. Percy Lee, Captain O. D. Luck, Mr. Edward Selwyn, Mr. Andrew Stephenson, Mr. Wilfrid Stephenson, and Mr. Arthur Ponsonby. The cast of this performance of "The Taming of the Shrew" included Lady Irene Congreve, Lady Moyra Ponsonby, the Hon. Geoffrey Browne, and Viscount Duncannon and his father, the Earl of Bessborough, among others. The Hon. Mrs. Gordon-Ives, who designed and painted the scenery, also took part.

Sir Kay and Lady Muir are entertaining various friends at their lovely Scottish home, Blair Drummond, near Stirling. Their house party last week included Comte and Comtesse de Lubersac, Captain the Hon. Henry and Mrs. FitzAlan Howard, Mons. Le Verdier, Colonel Newman, Mons. Antoine Sala, the Liberian Minister, and Lady Muir's sister, Mme. Felix Guépin, and her husband. Blair Drummond was burnt down in 1921, and the new house was built on what remained of the outer walls of the original old feudal castle. The grounds are delightful, with the River Teith close by, and possess a lake, in addition to the curious sepulchre of a Pict chieftain which was casually discovered by Lady Muir, and has aroused great interest among Scottish archæologists, who have done some further digging around the tomb. The house itself reveals many touches of Lady Muir's nationality, for she is a Bulgarian, and is one of the clever daughters of Monsieur Stancioff, who was for many years Bulgarian Minister to the Court of St. James's. The Rose du Barri drawing-room has several photographs of King Boris, and Bulgarian shawls are draped on screens and Bulgarian books are stacked on tables in this room. The oak-panelled dining room shows a fine collection of Flemish tapestries, and the panelled library has a most arresting carving over the mantelpiece which is a copy of an ancient Roman bas-relief on a rock near Varna, Bulgaria, representing a man on horseback, followed by a dog, and pursuing a lion.

Lady Helena Rous will have a long retinue of bridesmaids when she marries Major Douglas Beresford-Ash on Wednesday next, for they will include her sister, Lady Charlotte Rous, the Hon. Anne Baring, Miss Marye Pole-Carew, Miss Rachel Hicks-Beach, Miss Kathleen Ahern, Miss Marion Burrell, Miss Riona Maclean (cousin of the bridegroom), Miss Patricia Beresford (another cousin of the bridegroom), Miss Patricia Wavell, and Miss Judy Slessor. Their dresses will be of gold lace and net, with jade green veils kept in place by wreaths of gold dahlias at the back of the head. They are to carry gold sticks decorated with zinnias. The jade touch will be repeated in the colour of the shoes and in the pearl necklaces interspersed with crystals which the bridegroom is giving them. The bride is to wear a frock of satin of a slightly pink shade, and the train will be entirely composed of lace which belonged to her great-grandmother, Lady Fraser, who wore it at her wedding; it was also worn at that of the Countess of Stradbroke (mother of the bride) and that of the bride's sister-in-law, Viscountess Dunwich, to whom Lady Stradbroke lent it. Lady Helena is to wear her mother's wedding veil, which, like the train, is of Brussels lace, and falls nearly to the ground. Incidentally, all Lady Stradbroke's children were christened in this veil. Lady Beatrice Pole-Carew is lending her cottage, Maryfield, Taplow, for the first part of the honeymoon, and afterwards the bridal couple are going to France to visit the châteaux on the Loire. Eventually they will go to the north of Ireland to live with the bridegroom's parents. The engagement has quite a romantic air about it, for Lady Helena and Major Beresford-Ash met in July and became engaged in the first week of August, and did not see each other again until last week, as Lady Helena had mumps.

Although London is proverbially supposed to be empty at this time of year there are people constantly to be met with who are passing through on their way from one place to another. Among these may be mentioned the Hon. Henry and Mrs. Mond and Mrs. Robin D'Erlanger, all three of whom have been in Venice. Mr. and Mrs. Mond stayed with Mr. Brendan Bracken, M.P., at his apartment in Venice where there were also the Hon. Charles Baillie-Hamilton and his wife, and Mr. Randolph Churchill. Mrs. D'Erlanger was on a visit to her mother-in-law, Baroness D'Erlanger, at the latter's palazzo, as was her sister-in-law, Princess de Faucigny-Lucinge.

It has been a delightful season at Venice. The Hon. Evelyn FitzGerald and his wife have been staying there, and are due back in a few days. Previously to arriving there Mrs. FitzGerald went to Bayreuth for the Ring—or principally to hear Toscanini conduct "Tannhäuser" and "Tristan and Isolde," about both of which she is most enthusiastic. The Earl and Countess of Abingdon have been among the English to visit Venice, and so have Viscountess Wimborne, Sir Oswald and Lady Cynthia Mosley (he has now left for Antibes and she has gone on to Russia), and the Duke and Duchess of Westminster brought a party from their yacht, but they, too, have now left, and like the majority are finding their way to Scotland.

MAYFAIR.

For Evening Wear

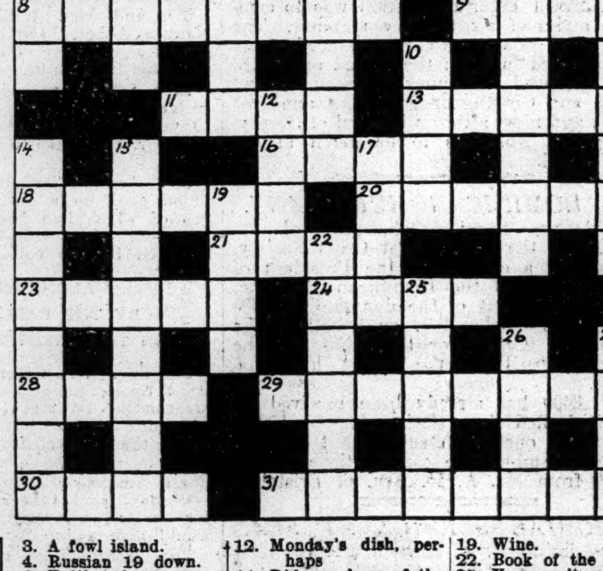
In some of the latest evening frocks there is a tendency to enrich the transparent surfaces with embroidered stitches of gold and silver or with varied colours of fine metal thread.

The frock in the sketch to the right, of ivory georgette, shows this effect. The corsage is given an Empire line, with rows of silver thread embroidery, and at the waistline is slightly swathed and tied in a bow. At the hips is the very newest idea—a basque lined with transparent, stiffened horsehair. This is stitched also in fine silver threads, repeated on the inset sections of the skirt.

The other frock is of beige lace of the Nottingham variety, moulded to the figure, except at the neck, which is loosely draped in the "monk's cowl" line.

CROSS-WORD PUZZLE No. 298.

Send solutions addressed "Cross-word No. 298," SUNDAY TIMES, 186, Strand, London, W.C.2. Two novels selected from publishers' announcements in the SUNDAY TIMES will be given to the senders of the first five correct solutions opened after the first post on Thursday. Readers in Scotland are precluded from taking part in the competition.



ACROSS.

1. No brave hero this man.
5. This insect would be still more poisonous with its head cut off.
8. What the dealer considers you when you buy a new car.
9. "Do get on home now; enough are all ready, Kenneth" (hidden).
11. "This precious stone set in the silver sea against the envy of—happier lands."—"Richard II."
13. Furnish.
16. If you don't eat your cake you can keep it in this.
18. Chevron.
20. European sea.
21. Also hidden with 9 across.
23. "Raged" (anag.).
24. Pack.
28. Wood much used in shipbuilding.
29. Kind of cheese.
30. Early Biblical character.
31. Quaint humour.

DOWN.

1. The root cause of most motoring accidents, with all deference.
2. Much the same as 18 across, but far from being an honour.
3. A fowl island.
4. Russian 19 down.
6. Epithet for many a car in our mechanised army.
7. Onomatopœic name for an indoor game.
10. Measure.
12. Monday's dish, perhaps
14. Did you hear of the man who had his shroud made of this?
15. Boaster.
17. Talk that suggests inability.
19. Wine.
22. Book of the O.T.
25. You can't say this bird is useless.
26. What the man of 14 down was afraid of.
27. Portrait painter of Stuart days.

CROSS-WORD No. 297 PRIZEWINNERS.

Miss A. M. ADAMS, 43, Victoria Road, Devizes; C. G. HINE, 15, Central Mansions, Hendon, N.W.4; Miss JAMIESON, Burnside, Weston Turville, Aylesbury, Bucks; W. T. WALLIS, Kalakhund, Brighton Road, Lancing, Sussex; Mrs. J. M. WHITCOMBE, 96, Vineyard Hill, Wimbledon Park, S.W.

SOLUTIONS.—ACROSS:—1, Amidships; 8, Weir; 9, Boomerang; 10, Berg; 13, Heron; 16, Moose; 17, Oiled 18, Auger; 19, Loser; 20, Surge; 21, Tulle; 24, Mobs; 27, Killarney; 28, Neat; 29, Determine.

DOWN:—2, Moot; 3, Dump; 4, Horse; 5, Panto; 6, Jewellery; 7 Brigadier; 11, Emolument; 12, Houseboat; 13, Heart; 14, Regal; 15, Norse; 22, Unite; 23. Lille; 25, Drum; 26, Lean.

A Woman's Corner

"Pandora" is on holiday, but will resume her weekly article next Sunday.

WREN'S ROYAL PALACES.

THE SOCIETY'S SEVENTH VOLUME.

MANY ORIGINAL DRAWINGS.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The seventh volume of the Wren Society, to be published towards the end of the year, will deal with the four Royal Palaces of St. James's, Whitehall, Kensington, and the palace built by Charles II. at Winchester, and abandoned by his brother James on the death of Charles in 1685.

The Wren Society, founded to commemorate the 200th centenary of the great architect's death, was designed to issue a yearly volume of hitherto unpublished Wren drawings and sketches, with contemporary engravings associated with the innumerable undertakings of the master. The first volume appeared in 1923, the anniversary year, and the series is to cover twenty years.

Mr. Arthur Bolton, Curator of the Sir John Soane Museum in Lincoln's Inn Fields, is preparing the work. He has Vol. III. already in proof, and was good enough to give some details of its character. Few details were known, even to architects, of the most interesting of the four palaces to be dealt with, that which Charles II. commissioned Wren to build on the heights above Winchester, where the old Castle stands.

AN UNGENEROUS BROTHER.

The palace was begun in 1683, and was approaching completion, even the roof being in place, when Charles died, and was succeeded by a morose, ungenerous brother who had no interest in Charles's projects or proceedings. But here a very fine drawing is shown, giving the whole grandiose scheme in detail, the palace, the gardens, and the magnificent street, 200 feet wide, which Charles had designed to march from the palace straight down to the cathedral, parallel with the still existing High Street, which is the old Roman Road.

The palace was not pulled down, but was suffered to fall gradually into decay. It was actually fitted up as a barracks for 2,000 troops and their officers in 1796, but was demolished by a disastrous fire in 1894. So ended the magnificent project, the noble building, with its dome which was to have been visible from the sea, thirty miles away, the gardens, and all the schemes of the artist-King who planned it. But from these collected drawings, found scattered in many parts of the country, a fascinating idea of the "English Versailles" may be obtained.

Hardly less interesting are the drawings which show the original new Palace of Whitehall, burned down in 1698. This building covered no less than 24 acres. The drawings, which are in the British Museum, show, among other little-known features, the chapel which James II. prepared for the restoration of Roman Catholic worship, as Evelyn mentions with horror in his diary. Whitehall Palace was built in 1685, and only had thirteen years' existence.

WHEN PEPYS KNELT.

Fragments of the marble altar pieces in the chapel, the work of Grinling Gibbons, are illustrated from remains now in Burnham Church, Somerset. The chapel of Mary of Modena, James's Catholic second wife, is also illustrated by a print previous to Pepys, who was told, it will be recalled, on entering the chapel, that if he did not kneel, he would have to go out.

The earliest known print of "the King's House at Kinsington," *circa* 1689, is another most interesting illustration. It shows the Palace before Queen Mary's Gallery was built, and in the centre the old Nottingham House, purchased by the King from the Earl of Nottingham for £17,000, whereupon Wren, who must have had nerves of steel to serve such a succession of different masters so faithfully, was ordered to begin at once with the construction of "Two Pavilions." The print is by Sutton Nicholls, an obscure engraver of the time.

A FLEMISH PAINTER.

Hampton Court is illustrated in absorbing fashion by a drawing made for Pepys by the Flemish landscape painter, Dancre (probably Danckerts). It shows the complete palace of Henry VIII., before William II. had made his alterations. Pepys says in his Diary, under the date January 22, 1688:—

"At 'Change I met with Dancre, the famous landscape painter, and he took measure of my panels in my dining-room, where I intend to have the four palaces of the King, White Hall, Hampton Court, Greenwich, and Windsor."

Dancre was disinclined, however, to go to all this trouble to perpetuate old-fashioned, uninteresting buildings, and persuaded his influential client to have a more fashionable "View of Rome" instead. The drawing of Hampton Court actually made by Dancre is, in fact, the only contemporary drawing of the pre-William-and-Mary Hampton Court known to exist.

COLLEGE JUBILEE.

ORIGIN OF BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BIRMINGHAM, Saturday.

Preparations are on foot for the celebration next month of the jubilee of the Mason Science College, to which the University of Birmingham owes its origin.

The foundation stone of the college was laid by the late Sir Josiah Mason on his eightieth birthday. Sir Josiah was the son of a Kidderminster carpet weaver. At the opening ceremony, on October 1, 1880, Professor T. H. Huxley delivered the inaugural address.

In 1883 a department of Coal Mining and Colliery Management was added to the college, but owing to the small number of students in attendance it was decided in 1889 to suspend this work for the time being.

From the time of incorporation with Queen's College there was a growing feeling that the position of Mason College, as it had to prepare for degrees at London University, imposed a serious handicap on the teachers. Within three months of the annual meeting of the Court of Governors in 1900 came the granting of the Charter, which meant the coming into being of the University of Birmingham. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain was the first Chancellor.

POSED AS HOTEL GUESTS.

Sentencing two London men, Herbert Stewart, 49, and Harry O'Brien, 61, to three months' hard labour at Brighton, yesterday, the Major (Councillor H. W. Aldrich) said: "You seem to be pests on society, and society must be protected against you."

Both men pleaded guilty to being found in an hotel for an unlawful purpose, and O'Brien admitted stealing £2 by means of a trick from an hotel keeper.

Mr. T. J. Owen, prosecuting, said the two men went into an hotel, mixed with the guests who were playing billiards, and pretended they were staying at the hotel, saying that they occupied Room 45. They told "hard luck" stories, and managed to induce one man to part with £2 as a loan.

NEW TREES FOR DARTMOOR.

HUGE AFFORESTATION PROJECT.

5,000 ACRES.

AMENITIES TO BE PRESERVED.

The SUNDAY TIMES learns that negotiations are proceeding between the National Forestry Commissioners and the Council of the Duchy of Cornwall for the taking over of some 5,000 acres of Dartmoor for afforestation purposes.

The scheme for planting will be begun immediately the negotiations have been completed, and in the first instance about a thousand acres will be treated. It will be about ten years before the whole of the acreage is planted, although the necessary rights will be secured in the present negotiations.

A principle of the Commissioners, the SUNDAY TIMES was informed at the head offices of the Forestry Commission yesterday, is to proceed on lines which will give permanent employment to a small number of men over a long period of years.

The Prince of Wales, who, early in post-war years, realised the need for afforestation, has for several years carried out a plan for replanting portions of Dartmoor. The national scheme will supplement the policy adopted by His Royal Highness on considerably more extensive lines.

As the basis of the negotiations is to lease suitable land for 999 years, portions of Dartmoor will automatically pass into a national category. In the first instance the planting will be confined to species of larch, spruce firs, and Scotch pines.

Surveys are in progress and there is every expectation that the transfer negotiations will have been completed by the end of the year.

Some apprehension, it is understood, exists as to the future of the amenities which the public have hitherto enjoyed on Dartmoor, but it is stated that these will not be materially interfered with. New grounds which come under plant cultivation will naturally have to be closed to hunting, but in other respects the general public will find their former pleasures but little curtailed.

LIGHT ON FATE OF FRANKLIN.

MORE DISCOVERIES IN ARCTIC.

FORT McMURRAY (Alberta), Sat.

The tragedy that overtook the expedition under Sir John Franklin, which disappeared in the Arctic eighty-three years ago, can be readily reconstructed from the discoveries of relics which have been found by Major Burwash, the Canadian Government explorer, according to his pilot Gilbert. Major Burwash and Gilbert have just completed the first aeroplane flight to King William Island.

There is evidence that some of the men died of scurvy and that others starved to death. Several graves arranged in an orderly fashion were found, and this is taken as a proof that the men of the Franklin party dropped off one by one, and were buried by their comrades. Bones and skeletons were found in rocky cairns that had been looted by natives or disturbed by Arctic gales.

In one cairn was found a blue jacket probably worn by a member of the party, and tent coverings, and in another cairn the explorers found a pair of bearskin trousers in a good state of preservation. These were among the relics found by Major Burwash.

During the flight the remains of a derelict ship were seen.—*Reuter.*

[Sir John Franklin's expedition, which set out in quest of the North-West Passage in the 'forties of last century, consisted of over 100 officers and men. The expedition had arranged to return in 1847, but it was not until twelve years later that any clue to its fate was discovered. In that year a cairn was found at Port Victory in which was a record of the expedition down to 1848. Sir John Franklin had died the previous year. Nearly forty expeditions had been sent out in quest of the missing explorers.]

BRITISH POLO PONIES SOLD.

GOOD PRICES IN AMERICA.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Forty-eight ponies of the British string brought here for the international polo games were sold yesterday for a total of approximately £37,000. The sum is considered high in view of the tight money conditions, even though an Argentine string of about the same size brought about £18,000 more in 1928.

The seven-year-old English-bred mare, White Slave, which carried Captain Pat Roark in two periods of each of the two international games, fetched the top price of £2,600. She went to Mr. Stephen Sanford, leader of the internationally famous Hurricanes.

Lady Luck, a small chestnut mare owned by Mr. Lewis Lacey, was bought by Mr. John Whitney for £2,000. The average price of the British string was just under £800 each.

BRITISH TRADE WITH ARGENTINE.

NEW GOVERNMENT AND EXHIBITION.

The chairman of the British Chamber of Commerce in Argentina has sent a cable to Mr. Follett Holt, chairman of the London Committee of the British Empire Trade Exhibition, to be held at Buenos Aires next year, intimating that he has the authority of General Uriburu to state that the exhibition had the approval and would enjoy the support of the Argentine Government.

"The Minister of Finance," the cable adds, "expressed in similar cordial terms his good will and desire to assist us in every way possible, emphasising the importance of British commercial relations with this country, and quoting the slogan, 'Buy from those who buy from us.'

"Foregoing creates every assurance that the exhibition is not only confirmed, but will enjoy support and assistance of the Argentine Government. Conditions in this country are tranquil, business as usual. Every confidence is manifested by the public in new Government, which has now been recognised by Supreme Court."

JUNIOR IMPERIAL LEAGUE.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain, M.P., will be the principal speaker at the Crystal Palace demonstration of the Junior Imperial League on Saturday evening.

In the afternoon there will be a sports meeting when representatives of the twelve areas of the League will compete for the Derby Challenge Trophy. The Yorkshire team will include Mr. E. Englehart, who took part in the Empire Games in Canada, while Mrs. M. A. Cornell and Miss M. Milne, two of the English representatives in the women's Olympiad at Prague, will be in the London team. Lord Burghley will distribute the prizes.

REDUCTION OF TARIFFS.

MR. GRAHAM ON NEED OF EUROPE.

APPEAL FOR UNITED ACTION.

GENEVA, Saturday.

Mr. Graham, President of the Board of Trade, addressing the League Assembly this morning, stressed the events which led up to the Tariff Truce. He recalled the hope he expressed in March last, that by this autumn, or, at latest, by the early part of next year, concrete proposals would be under consideration such as would lead in due course to tariff reductions.

The negotiations, he urged, should be begun as soon as possible, since, he said, they must take place before the termination of the period for which those countries who had signed the Tariff Truce had bound themselves—namely, before April 1 next. All countries, he remarked, would wish to see practical results in the reduction of duties before they bound themselves for further periods.

Mr. Graham also urged that all those countries who had signed the Commercial Convention should ratify it in order that the preparation for the forthcoming conference to conduct the negotiations for the reduction of duties and freer international trade generally might proceed with as little delay as possible.

APPEAL TO OTHER NATIONS.

Announcing the decision of His Majesty's Government in Great Britain to ratify the Tariff Truce, Mr. Graham said that at the time of the Tariff Truce Conference it was proposed that the Convention should be ratified by November 1 this year, and it had been hoped that immediately afterwards all signatories would be engaged in practical negotiations towards tariff reductions. He was happy to announce to the Assembly that the British Government had decided to ratify the Convention.

Mr. Graham went on to make a most earnest appeal to all those who were parties to the Convention to associate themselves with it and ratify it by November 1, since almost immediately after that date the contracting parties would hold a meeting to determine whether sufficient ratifications had been obtained, and further to prepare the way for the subsequent negotiations. It would be regrettable if, after all the efforts at the Conference, they now failed to obtain sufficient ratifications to bring the Convention into force.

He earnestly trusted that ratifications would be forthcoming in large numbers, so that they could pass on to the next stage. He attached the greatest importance to these negotiations, for it was clear that if, prior to April 1 next year or February 1, on which dates notice of withdrawal from the Convention could be given, no progress had been made, there was a danger that this effort would break down, and the countries might regard themselves as free to be let off all further obligations.

TO GET PRACTICAL RESULTS.

It had been suggested in some quarters that it was almost certain tariffs would move in an upward direction, that the difficulties were greater than when the Convention was concluded, and that, notwithstanding the Tariff Truce, various countries had raised their tariffs. "Do let us approach the negotiations with a sincere desire to get practical results in tariff reduction," exclaimed Mr. Graham.

It was suggested that, in order to achieve practical results, the problem should be settled on wide or general lines, but it might be advantageous, he thought, to concentrate on certain groups of commodities such as textiles and machinery, in order to see how far in Europe they could get agreements for progressive reduction of tariffs. That was not a final or conclusive suggestion, and any other proposal should be equally examined, but he thought it the most practical and speediest method.

Mr. Graham said that he linked up this movement with the question of world restoration. He impressed strongly upon the Assembly, however, that no kind of remedy for Europe's economic difficulties could be found in increased restrictions or tariffism, though such methods might give temporary stimulation to industry. Taking a long view, the accumulative effect of all such restrictions must be very seriously to delay Europe's restoration.

PRODUCTION PARADOX.

It was a remarkable tragedy that in every part of the world we saw production paralysed because it could not turn out its commodities at the price level which it obtained, and to see, side by side with that, hundreds of millions of people in the world whose demand for the necessaries of life were not being satisfied in anything like a reasonable measure at present. They had to deal with the gulf between production and consumption. He could not believe that that could be achieved by economic restrictions.

In conclusion, Mr. Graham declared: "I cannot see tariffism or economic nationalism making any real contribution to the solution of that problem. More than ever, in the light of the difficulties left by the war, we have to sound the international note in our economic relations in order to promote recovery and to break down these barriers that separate us."—*Reuter.*

VICAR AS CRITIC.

"WORN-OUT SHIBBOLETHS IN THE BIBLE."

The Rev. J. E. S. Hackforth, Vicar of Chaddesden, Derbyshire, has some startling things to say on the subject of religion in the current number of the parish magazine.

"Why has religion so little hold upon the mass of the people?" he asks, and then replies: "Because religion has been, and still is, built up upon punishments and rewards, and people have found religion out."

In another passage he writes: "From a religious point of view we have no positive proof whatever that we are, or shall be, either rewarded or punished, and so we can sin with impunity and labour without reward in most cases, and the bottom drops out of religion for most people."

"People to-day are exceptionally well educated," he goes on to say, "and graduates of all the Universities are as common as flies in summer. No educated person to-day is going to accept worn-out shibboleths such as can be found in the Bible, nor are they going to accept statements which rely solely upon what is called 'tradition.'"

A HUNDRED YEARS AGO

Sunday Times

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The King has conferred the Grand Cross of the Guelphic Order on Sir Henry Halford.

The Count de Montlosier has been reinstated in his pension of 6,000 francs, which was taken from him on the publication of his "Memoire."

We are assured that the delay in making the proposed opening into the Park, in Carlton Gardens, arises from the difficulty of deciding upon the mode in which it shall be done.

In order that public business may not suffer interruption, his Majesty has intimated that it is his intention to be in London regularly every Wednesday for the purpose of holding Councils.

A stem of oats (the American Freizland) was taken a few days ago from a field in Kirton, in the occupation of Mr. Hodgson, which contained the extraordinary quantity of 300 grains of corn.

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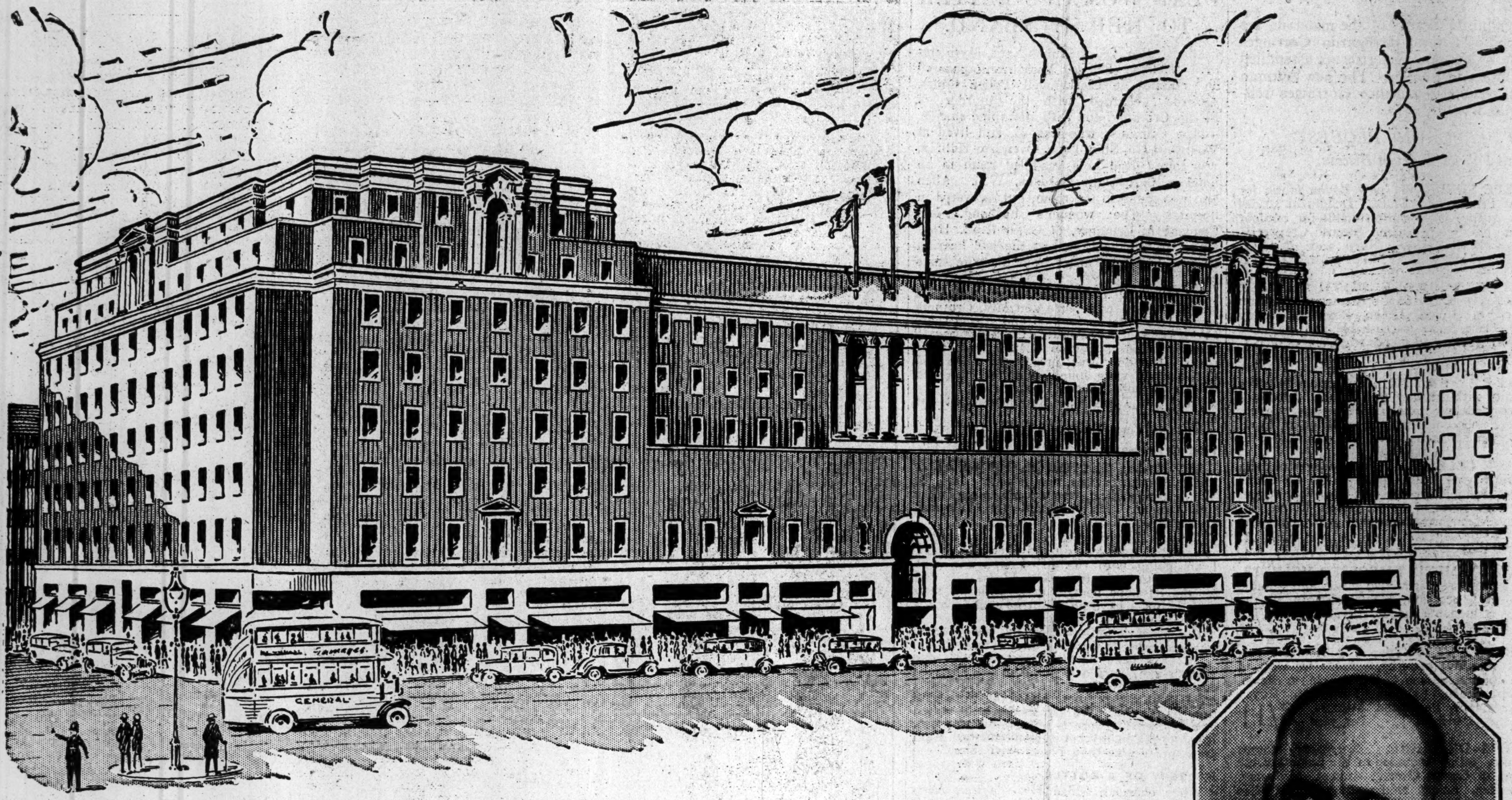

The Realisation of an Ideal

IN the last half century "Gamages of Holborn" has grown from a tiny one-man shop to a great store known and respected by millions of friends throughout the world.

Its success has been achieved by steadfast adherence to the policy that inspired my father from the beginning—the policy of giving people what they wanted at the prices they wanted to pay.

That the Holborn store will continue to progress is certain, but for many years I have realised that there was a need for another Gamages—a Gamages that in the realm of fashion would give to women a service that the older store could not give, and so at the best end of Oxford Street, I planned "Gamages of Marble Arch."

I could fill pages with an account of all that has been done to accomplish my ideal of making this store the most perfect of its kind in London. I would like to pay tribute to all those whose devoted support has made possible achievements unparalleled in the history of modern construction—but these matters I must leave to other announcements.

There are people who tell me that I am unfortunate in launching this new enterprise at a time when conditions are depressed. I do not agree. Never before have women demanded authoritative fashions at the right prices to such an extent as they do to-day. They will find we have met that demand.

Women who desire beautiful things at the prices they want to pay, unerring in their discrimination, will be the judges as to whether we have done well. I am content to leave the verdict in their hands.

ERIC M. GAMAGE,
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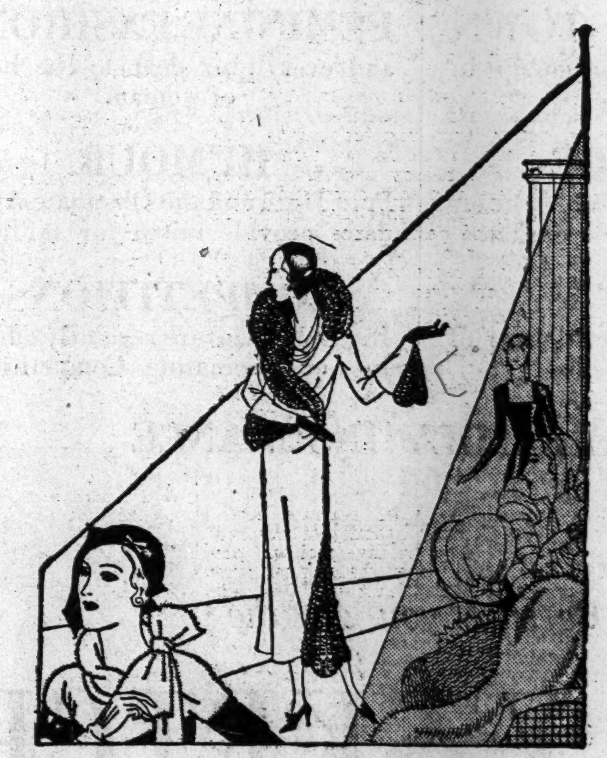

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SUICIDE PACT ALLEGED.

PROSECUTION AFTER HOTEL TRAGEDY.

DEAD WOMAN'S LETTER TO HER HUSBAND.

Albert Allen, 28, of Stubbs Yard, Mytholmroyd, Hebden Bridge, Yorkshire, appeared on remand at Clerkenwell Police Court, yesterday, charged with the murder of Phyllis Crummy, and with attempted suicide.

Mrs. Crummy, who was 25, and lived at Westward Ho, Shay Lane, Ovenden, Halifax, was found dead in a gas-filled room in an hotel in Cartwright Gardens, W.C. Allen also was found in the room, but recovered in hospital. The woman's husband, Mr. Clement A. Crummy, of Guest Road, Hunter's Bar, Sheffield, said at the last hearing that he had lived apart from his wife since May.

Mr. Clayton, prosecuting, said that Allen was a married man. He and Mrs. Crummy came to an hotel in London and stayed there as Mr. and Mrs. Allenby. On September 2 a maid failed to get an answer from their room. The door was forced, and Allen and the woman were found lying on the bed with a gas tube between their heads.

Mr. H. A. Tassell (the magistrate): It was a suicide pact?

Mr. Clayton: Yes.

TWO LETTERS.

Mr. Clayton said that in the pocket of Allen's trousers were two letters. One, in Allen's handwriting, was written to his father and mother. It contained the following message:—

"Please forgive me. I have no regret except that I am leaving you and Jeff behind. I am going with the girl I love and who loves me to the bitter end. Please kiss Jeff for me. I hope he will make a better man than I, but I have no doubt he will. This is the best way out."

The other letter, written by the woman, was addressed to her husband. It read:—

"I have been here a fortnight with one with whom, in a few moments, I shall be entering the everlasting sleep. With him I have spent the happiest and most wonderful time of my life. We are so perfectly mated in every way. There is no possible way out. Imagine me in my happiest moments. I am far happier now than I was even then."

MYSTERY OF A BOTTLE.

When charged, added Mr. Clayton, Allen made a statement in which he said that at the week-end, when he wanted to return home, Mrs. Crummy would not go and threatened to take morphia, which, she said, she had in a bottle. He added: "I did not see her take it, but she had a bottle in her hand which, she said, had contained morphia. I was in a funny position, so when she lay on the bed I lay down beside her."

There was a painful scene while Allen's father, Edward John Allen, a fruiterer, of Burnley Road, Mytholmroyd, was giving evidence. He broke down and cried.

Mr. Allen said that his son, who was a married man with two children, sent him a letter saying that he was going away, and it would be useless to try to find him. In a note addressed to his wife, which was enclosed, his son wrote, "You have got what you want. I will send you an allowance next week."

Dr. Edward Bowen, of Cartwright Gardens, W.C., said that he found no trace of morphia in the woman's body.

Allen was remanded until Thursday in order that the police might analyse the contents of a bottle found in the room.

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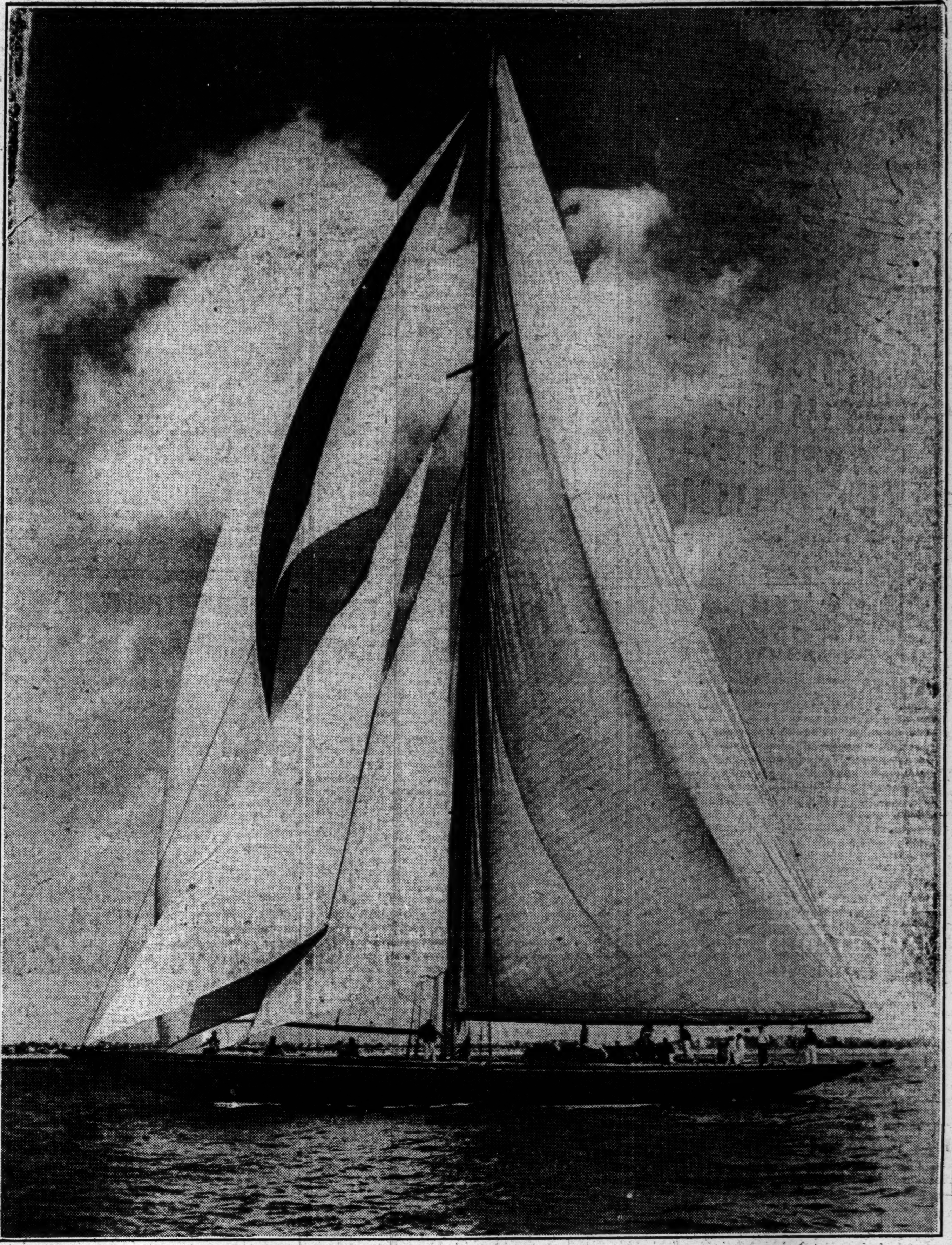

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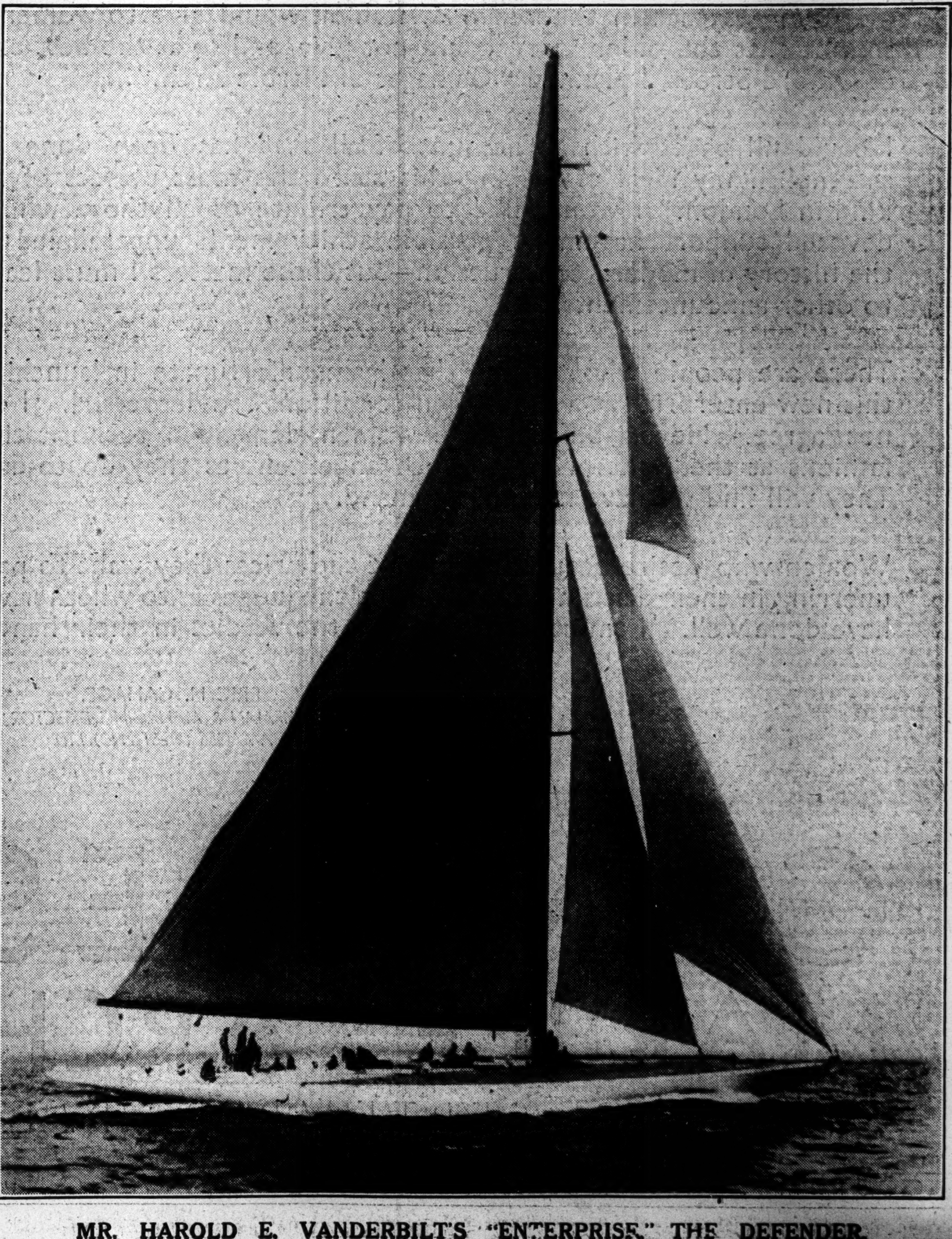

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ORIGIN OF THE CONTEST.

FIRST MEETING AT COWES.

80 YEARS OF RACING

SEQUEL TO VICTORY BY EIGHT MINUTES.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The history of the America's Cup dates back to 1851.

It was suggested that America should send over an example of her shipbuilding skill, and a syndicate, formed by members of the New York Yacht Club, ordered a special boat to be built. It closely followed the

The cup for which Sir Thomas Lipton is making his fifth bid.

lines of the famous pilot boats, and, under the command of Capt. Dick Brown, sailed for Europe. It arrived at Cowes in August, 1851, and Commodore John C. Stevens, one of the syndicate, entered the vessel—which had been named America—for the Hundred Guineas Cup, open to yachts of all nations.

Eighteen vessels participated in the race, which took place over a course of 53 miles. America finished eight minutes ahead of her nearest rival, the cutter Aurora. The America was sold, and Capt. Stevens took the cup back to America. It was given to the New York Yacht Club as a permanent challenge cup for international competition.

In 1868 Mr. James Ashbury issued a challenge, but in 1870 his schooner, Cambria, was beaten, as was his Livonia the year following. Other races took place in the seventies and eighties, and in the nineties Lord Dunraven made two efforts to win the coveted cup. In one series, in 1895, Lord Dunraven withdrew his Valkyrie III., which had been disqualified in a previous race for an alleged foul. Considerable controversy followed this incident.

FIRST SHAMROCK.

On behalf of Sir Thomas Lipton the Ulster Yacht Club sent a challenge in 1898. The next year Sir Thomas raced the Shamrock against the Columbia, which won two of the three races. Two years later Shamrock II. was sent across the Atlantic. Herreshoff produced the Constitution as defender, but

YACHTS COMPARED.

	Shamrock.	Enterprise.
Overall Length.........	119·98 ft.	120·40 ft.
Waterline	81·43 „	80·00 „
Beam	19·66 „	21 80 „
Draft	14·78 „	14·49 „
Forward Overhang ...	20·72 „	20·40 „
After Overhang	17·83 „	20·00 „
Sail area (sq. ft.) ...	7,524·10	7,540·00
Fore triangle (sq. ft.)	2,956·70	2,679·00
Main sail (sq. ft.) ...	4,567·40	4,861·00
Displacement (tons) ...	136·5	128·3
Free board (ft.)	5.46	5·47
Quarterbeam length (ft.)	74·50	73·32
Rating (ft.)	76·00	76·00

The measured sail area of the two yachts is almost the same. Actually the sail area of Shamrock is the greater because the measurements show only 85 per cent. of the fore triangle.

The chief difference is that Enterprise has more than 2 ft. greater breadth, whilst Shamrock has 17 in. greater length and eight tons greater displacement or weight.

in trials the Constitution was proved inferior to the old Columbia. The Columbia raced, and successfully resisted the second challenge of Sir Thomas.

In 1903 Sir Thomas made his third attempt to lift the cup. The defender this time was Reliance, which won all three races.

Shamrock IV. was prepared for the races which should have taken place in September, 1914, when Herreshoff had turned out another defender in the Resolute. The outbreak of the War caused the postponement of the encounter, which did not take place until six years later. In July, 1920, the first of the five races was sailed.

Shamrock IV. was the winner in the first two races. The first went to her by default, as Resolute met with an accident, but in the second race Shamrock IV. outsailed Resolute. The three following races were all won by Resolute, which in the last of the series won by nearly twenty minutes.

RACE CONDITIONS.

The cup will be won by the yacht winning four out of seven races.

Races will start about 4.10 English time. If neither of the yachts sails over the thirty-miles course in 5½ hours the race will not count and will have to be re-sailed.

Fog, light wind, severe weather or serious accident to one or both of the yachts may cause a postponement, but no race will start after 6.10 English time.

In case of a serious accident to either yacht a period not exceeding four weeks will be allowed for repairs.

No race, however, will be sailed after October 31.

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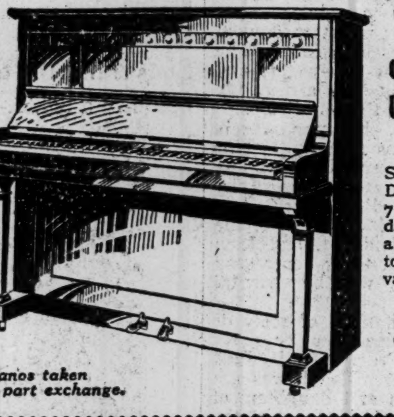

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POSTMISTRESS GAGGED.

OUTRAGE IN WELSH TOWN

THIEVES ESCAPE BY MOTOR CAR.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BUCKLEY, Saturday.

Between nine and ten o'clock last night two men called at the post office in the main street of Buckley, North Wales, and asked permission to use the telephone.

As the post office closes for telephone business after 7 p.m., Mrs. Brown, the postmistress, informed the men that they would have to go to the exchange about 300 yards distant.

The men, however, seized Mrs. Brown, carried her into the house, bound and gagged her, and fastened her to a chair. There was no one else on the premises at the time, and Mrs. Brown was found half an hour later by her husband on his return from work. He released her and sent for the police.

It appears from later details that the men forced their way inside the post office through a side door. At the time of the outrage a car was seen standing near the post office, but no special notice was taken of it, although hundreds of people were passing at the time. The two men evidently made their escape in the car.

Two female clerks are employed at the post office in addition to the postmistress, Mrs. Brown, but when the two men called the clerks had left the premises.

Superintendent Humphreys, of Mold, Sergeant Elliott, of Buckley, and officials of the General Post Office remained at the post office all night and are making further inquiries. It is believed that about £200 has been stolen. So far no arrests have been made, and the police are unable to give any description of the assailants.

Mrs. Brown, it is believed, was stunned by a blow with some weapon by her assailants, who afterwards fastened her in a chair and placed her in a corner of the room in the sorting office.

SHOTS FIRED AT GRAF ZEPPELIN.

LATVIA INCIDENT.

BERLIN, Saturday.

The fact was revealed to-day that the Graf Zeppelin was fired at during her flight to Moscow and back two days ago.

It is officially stated that the Latvian Government has been requested to explain why and by whom the shots were fired, as the ship passed over Latvian territory on the way to Moscow and on the return journey.

No answer has yet been received. It is emphasised that the shots did not come from Soviet soil or from Soviet frontier guards.—*Reuter.*

Annoyance has been caused here (says an Exchange Riga message) by the report that the shooting at the Graf Zeppelin took place on the Latvian side of the frontier. It is pointed out that the Latvian Frontier Guards had previously been made aware of the airship's movements.

The Latvian Frontier Guards' headquarters in Riga say there is no doubt whatever that the Graf Zeppelin was fired at from the Russian side, for Latvian Guards distinctly heard the shots, and immediately sent a telephone message to their headquarters.

SCOTTISH VERNACULAR

REVIVAL MOVEMENT IN LONDON.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

GREENOCK, Saturday.

A warm tribute to the work done on behalf of the revival and preservation of the Scottish vernacular by Mr. William Will, the leader of the movement in London, was paid by Mr. Thomas Amos, the Secretary, at the annual Conference of the Burns Federation in Greenock to-day.

He referred to Mr. Will's report to the London vernacular circle as a comprehensive, illuminating and inspiring production. Mr. Will, he said, drew attention to the fact that apart from parish and village companies, no fewer than 171 clubs were producing plays in Scotland, many of which were in the vernacular.

Mr. Will, in his report, also discussed the value of the Festival movement in reviving and preserving the doric, and pointed out the danger of the "refained" English accent of wireless announcers.

In appreciation of the lead Mr. Will had given to the movement, a handsomely-bound volume containing the signatures of 1,300 admirers at home and abroad was recently presented to him.

Sir Joseph Dobie, who has been succeeded as President of the Federation by Sir Alexander Gibb, proposed that when the Scott centenary was celebrated two years hence a chair of Scottish literature should be established in Edinburgh as a memorial to Scott and Burns. He also directed attention to a movement which had been set on foot to rescue the battlefield of Bannockburn from building operations. They had heard with dismay, he said, that new houses had already been erected within a few yards of the famous Bore Stone.

An influential committee had been formed which would issue an appeal for funds to save Bannockburn from destruction.

HOPFIELDS VISITORS.

MEDICAL OFFICER'S WARNING.

No further cases of smallpox were reported yesterday, either from the Kent hopfields or the Bethnal Green district. A close watch is being kept on all contact cases in both areas. It will be a fortnight or three weeks before it can be stated definitely that the outbreak has been quelled, but there is reason to hope that the situation is well in hand.

Dr. Galbraith, medical officer of health for South-West Kent, yesterday issued a warning that it would be unwise for people to visit the Paddock Wood district of Kent during the week-end. Frequently during the hop-picking season large numbers of visitors roam about the hopfields during the week-ends. In view of the smallpox outbreak, it is inadvisable for townspeople to go into the district.

IRONMONGERS' CARTEL.

BRUSSELS, Saturday.

The principal merchants dealing in metal goods in France, Germany, Great Britain, Belgium, and Italy are to meet in Luxembourg on Monday and Tuesday with a view to forming an International Cartel of Associations of Ironmongers and Iron Dealers.—*Reuter.*

EARL BEAUCHAMP IN SYDNEY.

SYDNEY, Saturday.

Earl Beauchamp, on arrival here to-day, declared himself deeply appreciative of the warm welcome he had received, and added that he was glad to have the privilege of being the first Governor of New South Wales to return to the State and have the pleasure of seeing the progress that had been made during the intervening thirty years.—*Reuter.*

MORE MEN ON THE LAND.

GOVERNMENT'S PLAN FOR AGRICULTURE.

CREDIT FACILITIES.

MINISTER'S FAITH IN ADVERTISING.

"With 2,000,000 people out of work it is about time we did get together to see if we can make better use of our native land, and I am quite sure that in doing so we shall have to decide that we have got to adopt new methods."

Dr. Addison, Minister of Agriculture, made this statement yesterday at Leicester when dealing with the Government's agricultural policy.

A number of proposals, he said, would be put before Parliament when it reassembled, the first of which would relate to endeavouring to get more men employed on the land. They would try to get better access to the land, and give better opportunities to people when they are on it, including credit facilities.

MARKETING PROPOSALS.

"Our policy will also include a set of proposals relating to the marketing of products. The Agricultural Marketing Bill, which was issued by us at the end of last season for the purpose of eliciting discussion and criticism with a view to seeing whether improvements could be suggested, will be taken up quite early in the autumn session, and we propose to pass it into law. We are open to receive any reasonable suggestions for its improvement, but we mean to go on with it if we are allowed to do so.

"It is true that the Bill does not deal with imported food. There are products like potatoes and milk which we produce largely at home sufficient for our own requirements, and all these commodities are covered in the Bill. We are well aware that the question of imports should be considered, and this will have to be dealt with in another section of our proposals.

"The Cereal Board under this Bill would not deal with imported wheat. I have always been an apostle of the Import Board policy, and I am going to discuss this question with the representatives of the Dominions at the forthcoming Imperial Conference. In my opinion the Import Board is the only way to deal with the problem, and in the end I think we shall have to adopt it for a number of commodities."

FAITH IN ADVERTISING.

Recommending the setting up of an organisation in the milk industry to advertise the qualities of milk and to ask people to drink more milk, Dr. Addison said:—

"I have come to be a believer in advertising. For some time past I have been a member of the Empire Marketing Board and chairman of the committee inquiring into the fishing industry. I have seen that extraordinary results have attended the advertising campaign 'Eat more fish.' The demand for large white fish has increased so much, especially in the fish and chip trade, that we shall have to get new fishing grounds more accurately charted.

"This is largely because there is an organisation in the fishing industry which has pooled its resources and has exhorted the public in season and out of season to 'Eat more fish.'"

SCHELDT TRAGEDY.

LADY HORNE'S FUNERAL TO BE AT WINDSOR.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WINDSOR, Saturday.

The body of Lady (Allan) Horne, who lost her life at Antwerp when her motor-car ran into the River Scheldt, will be interred on Wednesday at Windsor Cemetery, where her first husband, Captain Noel Barran, 2nd Life Guards, and her father, the Hon. Alastair George Hay, are buried.

Lady Horne will be interred near her first husband, who died on active service in 1919.

The bodies of Lady Horne and Mrs. Crocker were landed at Parkeston Quay, Harwich, yesterday, from the s.s. Antwerp and conveyed to London. The chauffeur, Preedy, also travelled by the steamer and joined the same train for London.

City workers stood uncovered, with bowed heads, as the coffins, on arrival at Liverpool Street Station, were removed to the waiting motor hearses, and taken to a private chapel in Baker Street to await burial. Sir Allan Horre personally superintended the removal of the coffins.

Mrs. Crocker will be buried in the churchyard of Upper Welmer, Kent.

BRITISH GOODS AND U.S. TARIFFS.

APPEAL TO MR. HOOVER.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Reciprocal trade between the British Empire and the United States was urged upon President Hoover by the directors of the Co-operative Wholesale Society of London, who visited White House. The directors, Mr. Robert Fleming and Mr. Joseph Bradshaw, were introduced by the British Ambassador, Sir Ronald Lindsay.

They told Mr. Hoover that unless the market here for British manufactured goods could be assured, English merchants would be forced by "enormous political pressure" to buy staples within the British Empire, to the exclusion of the United States. The high tariff walls being thrown up here, they declared, are jeopardising friendly trade relations between England and America, and they pleaded for the best commercial opportunities in this market which could be afforded under the present tariff law to English goods.

HOUSES AND LANDS.

COUNTRY PROPERTY IN SURREY.

A freehold modern residence in the Elizabethan style is available at Cobham (Surrey). The property, which comprises gardens and grounds of about nine acres, is in a retired situation, on sandy soil, with unspoilt surroundings, and is within thirty minutes of town. Central heating and all modern conveniences, two garages, chauffeur's cottage, and useful outbuildings. Harrods, Ltd., 62, Brompton Road, are the agents.

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R 101 CREW VACCINATED.

The crew of R 101 have been inoculated and vaccinated in preparation for their Indian trip. They hope to be well enough to handle the airship by Friday.

RENAISSANCE IN NEW SETTING.

DIFFICULT TASKS OF A PRODUCER.

THE NEW PHŒNIX THEATRE.

Creating a completely renaissance theatre in London, which also complies with modern regulations, is the difficult task which Mr. Komisarjevsky, the Russian producer, has been engaged in during the past year. The theatre, the new Phœnix in the Charing Cross Road, is now practically completed, and opens with Noel Coward's new play, "Private Lives," on September 24.

To the SUNDAY TIMES yesterday, Mr. Komisarjevsky explained some of the difficulties he had faced and the manner in which he had incorporated ideas from some of the most beautiful Italian Renaissance buildings.

"When I was asked to work out a scheme of interior architecture and decoration for the new Phœnix Theatre in the style of the Italian Renaissance," Mr. Komisarjevsky said, "I was perplexed in the extreme as to how it could be done in a modern structure of iron and cement with all sorts of unsymmetrical angles, awkward corners, jutting beams and gaping apertures.

"Had I been living at the time of the Renaissance, when, as everyone knows, a weekly bath was considered almost a luxury, I would not have had to bother my head even with the question of ventilation. But here was I, being urged on the one side to deliver the real thing at any price, even to minor details, and on the other being reminded daily by a score of the most modern of engineers, electricians, gentlemen of the L.C.C., and numerous technical experts, not on any account to overlook, even if it ruined the Renaissance proportions of my scheme, the urgent necessity for ventilation, sanitation, fire exits, and so on.

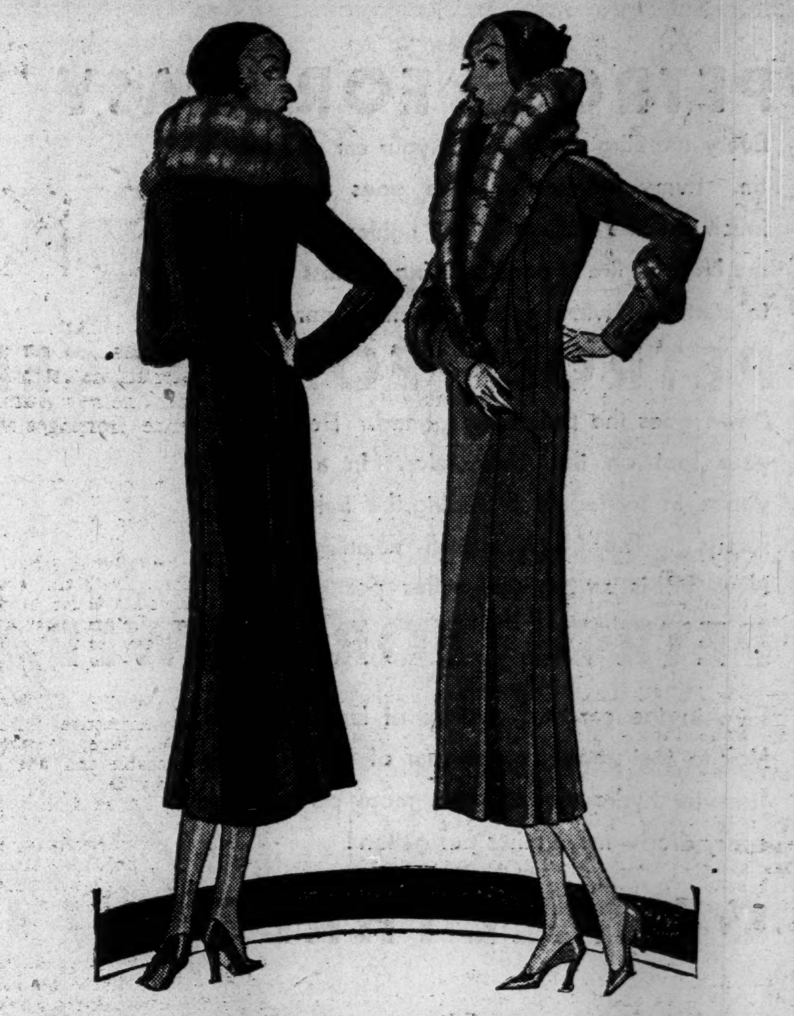
ADAPTED IDEAS.

"It struck me that I should not be able to make use of or adapt any one particular Renaissance artist's decorative scheme, but would have to invent one of my own, taking something from this man and something from that and adapt the whole as best I could to these very latest modern requirements, none of which had ever wrinkled the brow of a Renaissance decorator!

"However, I chose the period of the Italian High Renaissance prior to the transition to the Baroque, as it seemed to be lighter and gayer and more ornate than the earlier years, and therefore more suitable for a place of amusement. I tried to adhere as far as possible to the style of the buildings in Central Italy, but not to any one particular town or province.

"I took most of my ideas from Raphael, Giulio Romano, Girolamo da Carpi, and Giovanni da Udine. The gangway, at the back of the stalls, for instance, was adapted from the Loggia in the Villa Madama, built by Raphael in 1519. I must confess that I was not above stealing certain details intact and unaltered, such as the columns in the theatre entrance, the originals of which are in the Courtyard (built in 1538) of the Palazzo Boncompagni at Bologna. The designs for the fittings, carpets and upholstery I made from various Italian originals, or, as in the case of the columns, simply borrowed complete.

"When it came to filling in the panels of the top cornice of the auditorium and the fireproof curtain with copies of Sellaio, Tintoretto, Giorgione, Titian, and Pinturicchio I did not feel that my abilities qualified me for the job and invited the Anglo-Russian painter, V. Polunin, who worked for Diaghileff and at present teaches decorative design at the Slade School of Art, to undertake the work, which he has done most successfully."



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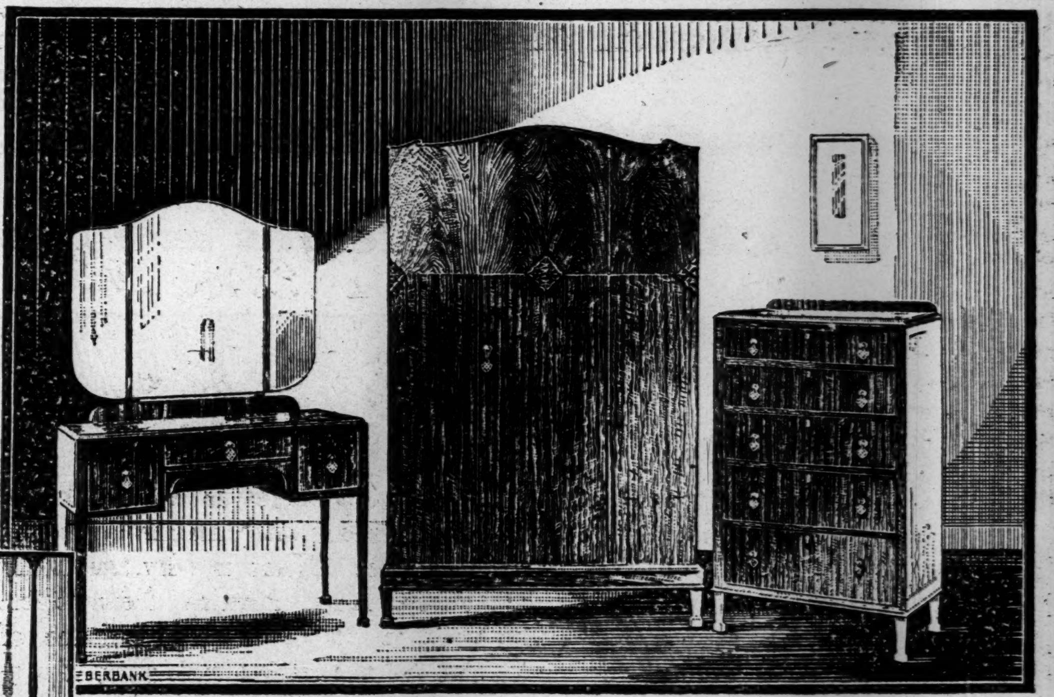

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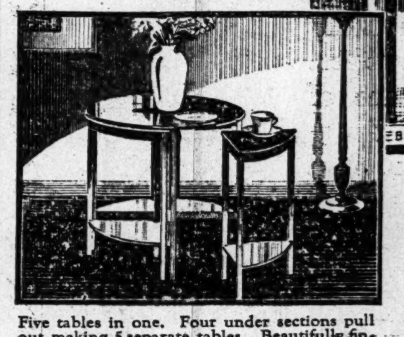

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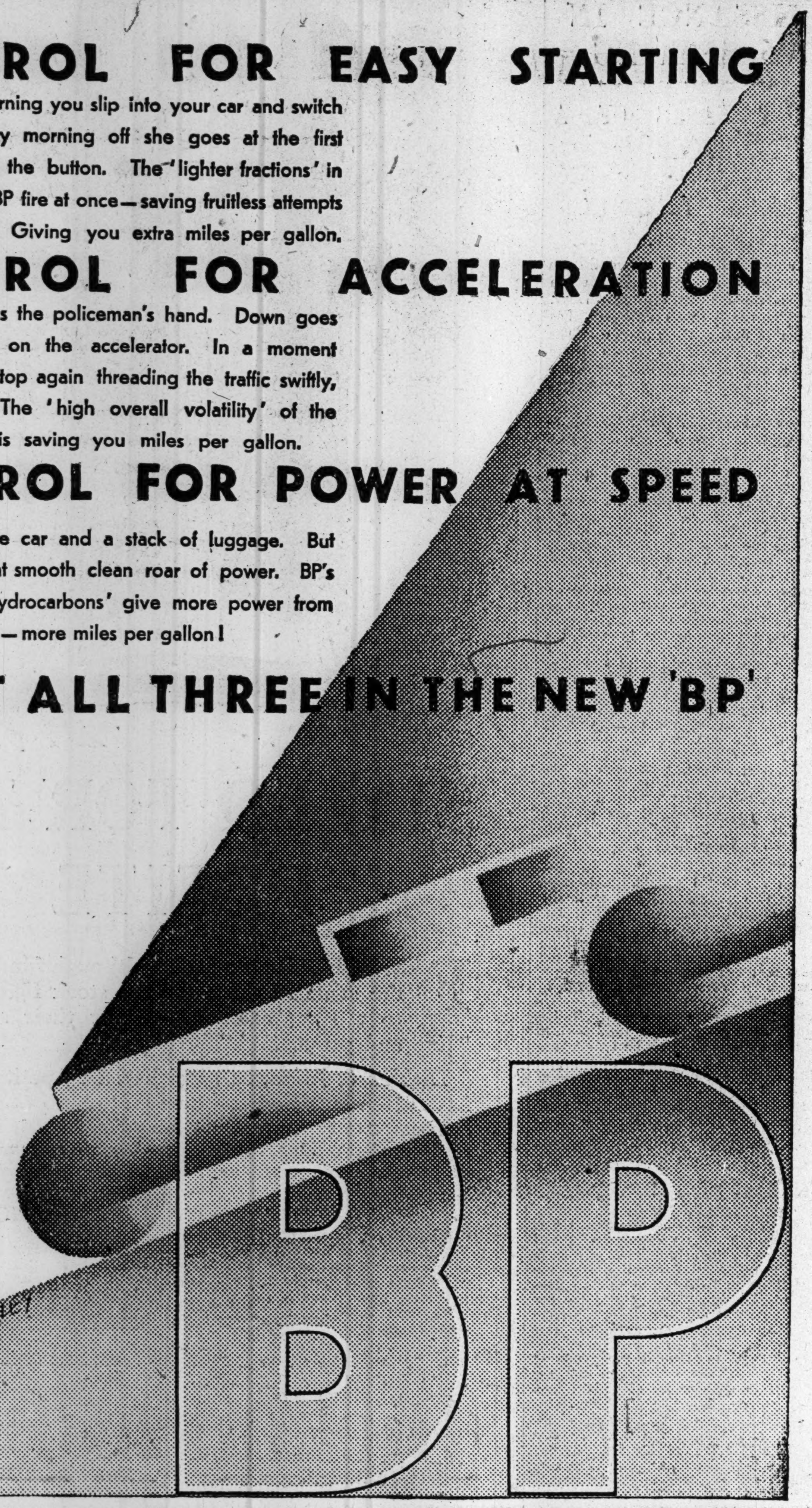

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WOMAN'S DASH INTO WATER.

An eight-year-old girl's attempt to rescue her young brother who had fallen in the sea and the rescue of both children by a married woman earned the admiration and applause of a large crowd on the beach at Hastings yesterday.

The two children—Dora Clarke (8), of Sutherland Road, London, and her four-year-old brother, Gilbert—were playing on a groyne when Gilbert slipped and fell into the sea. Dora immediately jumped in after him and succeeded in catching hold of him, but by this time both were being carried out on the undercurrent.

RETAINED HER HAT.

The boy's screams attracted the attention of holiday-makers, one of whom, Mrs. Lilian Coburn, of Walham Road, Fulham, plunged fully dressed into the water. She even retained her hat. The children were then about fifteen yards away, and had disappeared before Mrs. Coburn reached the spot.

Diving under the waves she managed to grab both of them, and eventually dragged them to the groyne where they were pulled out of the water. They appeared to be lifeless, but a nurse detected signs of life, and by artificial respiration and the application of stimulants both were revived. As soon as each realised the other was safe they kissed one another.

SOVIET ORDERS.

WORK FOR SCOTTISH FIRMS.

Two important contracts have been placed with Scottish firms by the Soviet Trade Delegation now in Glasgow. After negotiations extending over several days, Messrs. Andrew Kyle and Co., the Galston firm of mineral boring and general engineers, have been successful in booking half of the full specified quantities, a feature of this contract, it is understood, being the arrangement for payment on cash terms.

An order has also been placed by the Soviet Trade Delegation with a Glasgow engineering firm, Messrs. Mavor and Coulson, Ltd., Bridgeton, for mining machinery to the value of over £100,000. This order will provide work for several hundred men for more than a year. It is understood that work on the production of the machines will be started almost immediately.

DEAD IN THICKET.

INQUEST ON SCOTLAND YARD OFFICER.

How Sergeant Harry Wilks, of the C.I.D., Scotland Yard, came to be lying dead in a thicket in Epping Forest, near Chingford, on Tuesday, was inquired into at a Waltham Abbey inquest yesterday. The day he was found dead was that on which his leave ended.

Wilks, who was about forty years of age, had not been in good health, and had obtained leave of absence from headquarters.

Mrs. Wilks, of Sixth Avenue, Queen's Park, said that two years ago her husband had scarlet fever and arthritis, and had to leave the police force. He returned about twelve months ago.

The Coroner (Dr. Ambrose): Did he find his work very hard when he got back?—I don't think so. He seemed quite happy and comfortable and not depressed.

Mrs. Wilks added that her husband left home on September 8, and the following day she received a letter from him saying that he was going to take his life.

Mrs. Wilks handed a letter to the Coroner, who, after reading it, said, "He does not give any reason for it at all."

Other evidence was given as to the finding of the body. Two bottles of Lysol and a mug, which had contained Lysol, were discovered beside the body. There was also a note addressed to the Coroner, which Dr. Ambrose read. It ran: "To the Coroner. Please do not maltreat my body. I died from contents of a bottle of lysol."

Dr. Robert Dormer said that death was due to lysol poisoning.

Inspector Young, of Scotland Yard, stated that when Sergeant Wilks returned to duty he was unable to do outside work, and he was given clerical duty. This seemed to worry him a great deal. Sergeant Wilks had an excellent reputation at Scotland Yard, his character being exemplary.

The Coroner said that Sergeant Wilks' work had apparently been too much for him after his illness, and he had got depressed and ended his life. He recorded a verdict of suicide by lysol poisoning.

FROM PRISON TO ALTAR.

BURGLAR-POET MARRIES BRETON DANCER.

PARIS, Saturday.

A small group of policemen formed a guard of honour for Francis Roche when he was escorted, manacled but smiling, to his wedding here to-day. Although he met Annie Lemoal, a pretty Breton dancer, eight years ago, she only recently learned that he had been credited with fifteen burglaries. Nevertheless, despite the entreaties of her parents, she refused to give up her lover.

Roche, who boasts some literary talent, invited his counsel to the wedding by means of a poem in forty Alexandrine verses. When the ceremony was over, the police gave him just enough time to kiss his wife, and then bundled him into a motor-car, which returned him to his prison cell.—*Reuter.*

REVENUE OFFICIAL IN THE DOCK.

EMBEZZLEMENT CHARGES.

Joseph James Menah, 36, a Civil servant, of Robert Street, Hampstead Road, N.W., was remanded, on £50 bail, at Bow Street police-court yesterday, on charges of embezzling public funds.

Colonel MacD. Baker prosecuted for the Commissioners of Inland Revenue.

Menah was said to have been employed as a clerical officer in the department of the Accountant and Controller-General of Inland Revenue at Victory House, Kingsway. Three specific amounts were mentioned in the warrant—£7 14s. received from Mr. H. Skiffreen, £8 4s. 6d. from Mr. R. Campbell, and £2 19s. 11d. from Mr. J. S. Vane. The charges dated back to last November.

Detective Capstick gave evidence of arrest.

Menah now denied all the charges, and applied for a remand to enable him to be legally represented.

CO-PARTNERSHIP EXPERIMENTS.

The autumn conference of the Industrial Co-Partnership Association, which will be extended over the week-end, opened at Leeds yesterday, when three practical experiments in co-partnership were discussed. The first was that at present being carried on by Messrs. G. and S. Rhodes, woollen manufacturers, of Morley, which was explained by Mr. Harold Rhodes. Mr. David Hutchinson, of Messrs. Bryant and May, described the scheme in practice by that firm, and the third was that now being applied by Messrs. Ford, Ayrton, and Co., spinners, of Lancaster.

PRINCE OTTO IN HUNGARY.

ALLEGED TRIP WITH MOTHER.

DISGUISED AS NUN AND PRIEST.

THE PRETENDER AND THE THRONE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BUDAPEST, Saturday.

A story of a secret visit to Hungary by the Empress Zita and her son Otto (Pretender to the Throne of Hungary) has proved a political bombshell here, and so far there has been no convincing refutation.

The story, which was published in the *Arbeiter Zeitung*, of Vienna, to-day (and also in a Prague newspaper) asserts that the ex-Royalties were in Hungary last month. The Empress, the paper declares, was disguised as a nun, and used the alias "Abbess Maria Szetery"; while Prince Otto passed as a priest under the name "Count Meyer."

The visit did not last long, it is stated, as the Hungarian Government considered the moment inopportune.

A denial from Vienna that the Viennese police had any knowledge of the alleged trip is beside the point, as the suggestion is that the Austrian authorities on the frontier, not the Viennese police, were aware of what was afoot.

The attitude taken up in official circles is a needless *dementi* of the story, which is attributed to Czech propaganda, with the object of influencing Geneva in a sense unfavourable to Hungary.

Unofficially, the story is said to be so fantastic that no serious person can believe it, for no moment, it is said, was less likely to be chosen for a putsch than the Emmerich festival of August 18.

This line of argument, however, omits to explain why, if no serious person could have believed possible the return of the Empress Zita and Prince Otto, such elaborate police and military precautions should have been taken on this date against a possible return. These precautions included the issue of an order by the police that anyone corresponding to the descriptions of the Empress and Archduke should be detained.

It is recalled that the Empress Zita's husband twice attempted to recover the throne by suddenly appearing in Hungary, and there seems no season why she and her son should not act similarly.

A Reuter message from Budapest says that the report of the visit is categorically denied in authoritative quarters there.

MODERN ART.

A PERMANENT GALLERY FOR VENICE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

VENICE, Saturday.

Though certain difficulties lie in the way of its realisation, the project for creating a Permanent Gallery of Modern Art here, which would have the function of forming a kind of bridge between the regular Biennial Exhibitions, is making headway.

The proposal is that the Permanent Gallery should be a direct emanation of the Biennial Exhibitions, and should offer a selection of the best achievements of the modern art world.

With this object in view, the Administrative Committee of the Biennial Exhibition has reminded the Vice-President of the Italian Royal Academy, Signor Aristide Sartorio, of the desirability that some decision should be reached before the present exhibition closes at the end of the month.

In reply, Signor Sartorio assures Count Volpi, the chairman of the administrative committee, that in his view the project should be put into effect, adding that if the existing obstacles can be overcome the Royal Academy will second the efforts being made here.

M. BOUISSON'S ESCAPE.

JUMP FROM OVERTURNED MOTOR-CAR.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

The President of the Chamber of Deputies, M. Fernande Bouisson, narrowly escaped injury to-day in a motor-car accident on the French Riviera.

While driving his own car in the St. Raphael district he had to swerve in order to avoid a collision with a lorry, and in doing so he ran into a deep trench by the side of the road. The President of the Chamber jumped from his seat as the car overturned. He was not hurt, and a passing motorist helped him to pull the car out of the trench.

The car was not seriously damaged, and M. Bouisson was able to continue his journey.

RETURN OF DEPOSITS DEMANDED.

CLUB FRAUDS CHARGE.

At Marylebone Police Court yesterday Reginald Brown, 41, sundriesman, of Highbury New Park, N., was charged with fraudulently converting to his own use £345 received from applicants for the position of secretary and steward of the Alpha Club, Edgware Road, and the Marlborough Club, Seven Sisters Road.

Mr. Morgan, prosecuting, said that Brown advertised for a secretary and steward of the clubs, to deposit £100 as security for his honesty. He agreed to pay him £3 10s. a week wages, 10 per cent. of the takings, and 5 per cent. interest on the deposit. He told applicants that there was considerable stock at the clubs, and a large membership, and that the takings were from £60 to £80 a week.

In four cases the applicants, after paying their deposits and taking over either one or other of the clubs, discovered that the club's position was not as reported, and that they could not get all their wages. They therefore demanded the return of their deposits, but although they made repeated applications they had been unable to obtain anything but promises. One of the victims to whom, in addition, £33 wages was due, was referred to by the accused as "a poor old man on whom I have taken pity and given odd jobs."

The accused, who pleaded not guilty, was committed for trial.

HADDON HALL VISITORS.

The Duke of Rutland, having allowed Haddon Hall to be open to the public for two days at a small charge in aid of the Rowsley Village Hall, the sum of £711 has been realised after expenses have been paid.

CAMEL'S AEROPLANE TRIP.

A camel has been conveyed by air from the Tunis desert to the Zoological Gardens at Rome.

The journey occupied eight hours, the animal being conveyed in a large cargo aeroplane belonging to the Mediterranean Air Service. It arrived in Rome in excellent condition.

HARVEST OF ROSE LEAVES.

PERFUME INDUSTRY IN BULGARIA.

PEASANT GROWERS.

From A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The harvest of rose leaves in Bulgaria, from which the precious oil of roses and rose water are extracted, promises to be satisfactory. The roses are grown in two districts, of which the towns of Kazanluk and Carlovo are the centre, being ideally situated in a region protected by mountains from cold winds, and enjoying an equable, almost tropical, climate. The colours of the roses are white, yellow, and pink, the latter predominating; the best bushes for the purpose are relatively small, the *rosa alba* and the *rosa damascena* being the favourites.

Between 700 and 800 tons of leaves are plucked every year, and one kilogramme (about 2 lb.) of oil of roses is obtained from between four and five tons of leaves. The actual distillation product is rose-water, and when this stands for a long time a thin oily layer forms on it, which is the oil of roses.

Another product, which, however, rarely reaches Western Europe, is rose wax. This is found sticking on the fingers of the women who have plucked the leaves; it is carefully collected, for it is considered by the Balkan people to be the most valuable product of the rose culture. It is well kneaded, and then formed into minute pellets, these being used in cigarettes and pipes by wealthy Oriental dandies.

Rose wax costs more than oil of roses or rose water, but when cigarettes or pipes containing it are smoked the room is filled with the perfume of roses. The leaves are picked only by the wives and daughters of the growers, and this work is done in the very early morning, before sunrise, for the hot sun vaporises some of the oil in the cells. The men remove the picked leaves as quickly as possible to the distilleries, of which there are about 3,000. For centuries the local cultivators used their own primitive means of distillation, but in recent years they have adopted modern methods, which not only save much time but are much more efficient.

With the newer apparatus, in which the leaves are treated with steam, the distillation process lasts only from two to three hours. The value of the Bulgarian export of oil of roses and of rose water averages about £300,000 per annum.

FOURTEEN PERISH AT SEA.

DASH TO SAVE CREW OF TRAWLER.

HONG KONG, Saturday.

H.M. oiler Pearleaf, bound hither from Singapore, was diverted from her course and rushed to the Hainan Straits, where the Japanese trawler Ibuki Maru had run aground and was reported to be breaking up fast under the pitiless pounding of the heavy seas, while her crew clung helplessly to the rigging.

The Butterfield and Swire Company's steamer Anhui and five other Japanese trawlers had reached the scene earlier and for some while made desperate but fruitless efforts at rescue. Several boats put off from the Anhui, as also a raft from one of the trawlers, but they were driven back by the raging seas.

A wireless message to hand from one of the Japanese trawlers on the scene of the wreck states that a boat succeeded in getting alongside the ill-fated vessel and taking off the captain and three members of the crew. Fourteen other members of the crew had previously put off from the wreck on a raft in an attempt to reach the shore, and a search by the rescuing trawlers has revealed no trace of them.—*Reuter.*

NEW PIGMY TRIBE.

DISCOVERY IN CONGO FOREST.

CAPE TOWN, Saturday.

Mr. Cornelius Bezuidenhout, a member of Lord Howard de Walden's British Museum Expedition, has returned to Nairobi from the Ituri Forest on the Congo. He reports that the Okapi, contrary to general belief, is not a rare animal. It is, however, one of the shyest, and is not usually encountered on ordinary hunting expeditions. By adopting extraordinary camouflage and lying in thickets for days at a stretch he obtained excellent photographs of it.

He also discovered the most primitive pigmies, who were much smaller than the tribes known at present. He made friends with them, and learned much about their habits.—*Exchange.*

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE

AUSTRALIAN DELEGATES IN EGYPT.

CAIRO, Saturday.

Some of those accompanying Mr. Scullin, the Australian Prime Minister, to London for the Imperial Conference arrived here this morning from Suez, but Mr. Scullin and his wife remained on board the Orama. Although much improved in health, he is still only convalescent, and his doctors consider that he is not sufficiently recovered to make the desert motor trip from Suez to Cairo, and then the train journey from Cairo to Port Said the same day to rejoin the liner.

Mr. Scullin's party left for Port Said at six o'clock this evening after a tour of sight-seeing and tea with the Governor of Cairo. They thoroughly enjoyed their brief visit to Cairo.—*Reuter.*

SULPHURIC ACID DEATH.

OPEN VERDICT AT INQUEST ON LABOURER.

An open verdict that death was due to sulphuric acid poisoning, with no evidence to show how and by whom it was administered, was the verdict returned by the Swansea Coroner yesterday at the inquest on the body of Frank Osborne (58), labourer, of Neath Road, Morriston, Swansea.

The widow stated that from Friday night until he died on Monday her husband had periods of vomiting and dysentery. A doctor called and sent him medicine, but after taking the first dose, he said, "Oh, the doctor has put poison in that," and refused to take any more.

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FUNERAL PYRE OF HUSBAND.

WIDOW'S ATTEMPT AT SUTTEE.

ANCIENT HINDU RITE.

A report of how a Hindu widow attempted to commit suttee (self-immolation) on the funeral pyre of her husband comes from the Patna district of the Central Provinces. This is the second time within the past two and a-half years that an effort has been made in this district to revive a custom which was forbidden by the British authorities as long ago as 1805, reports the Bombay correspondent of the British United Press.

In this particular case the woman had become very distressed in mind over the continued illness of her hsband, and she determined to commit suttee when he was to be cremated. When the funeral pyre was lighted she climbed upon the pile of wood and lay down for the flames to reach her. The police, however, had been informed of her intention and came and rescued her, though not before she had been badly burned. They arrested a number of onlookers, and she and they will be charged with a breach of the law.

PREVIOUS CASES.

In the previous case the woman was also rescued badly burned, but she died subsequently from her injuries, and her body was cast into the sacred Ganges, thousands of people struggling hard to obtain a piece of her burned clothing as a memento of her act, which they regarded as following the highest traditions of the Hindu religion.

In this case several of the onlookers, who did not take an active part in assisting the woman to immolate herself, but looked on passively, were prosecuted and sent to prison, but it is symbolical that while she lay dying in her house it became the scene of pilgrimage to thousands of Hindus who desired to pay homage to a woman who carried out to the extreme the tenets of wifely obedience

Near Oudh, a few months ago, another widow insisted on dying on the funeral pyre of her husband, and in all cases of this ancient custom which have occurred lately it is noteworthy that it was the women themselves who conceived the idea and who insisted on carrying it out.

Despite the fact that strict orthodox Hindus claim that suttee is an ancient Hindu practice, it has not been possible to tell exactly when it obtained its place in the practice of Hinduism.

MASS BURNINGS.

It was the custom at one time, when a ruling chief died, for his widows and members of his harem to go to their death on the funeral pyre. It is on record that when one Sikh ruler died four queens and eleven slave girls went to the flames; in 1844 310 women were burned to death to accompany a chief who died in attempting to win greater power.

In accordance with the British policy of not interfering with religious practices, it took a long time before the practice was made illegal all over India, the first official movement against it being taken in Bombay in 1805.

But the custom has its upholders even nowadays, if not in a practical sense, at least in a sentimental regard, and it is found most difficult to find a jury that will convict anybody of aiding and abetting in the practice. Three college professors, a schoolmaster, and an educated landowner, who sat as assessors in the second case mentioned, found the accused not guilty, and when, despite this, the accused men were sent to prison, the district was seething with indignation.

£12,000 MISSING.

OFFICIALS ACCUSED OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

Two employees of the Anchor Line (Henderson Brothers, Ltd.), of Glasgow, came before Sheriff Welsh at Glasgow yesterday to answer charges of embezzlement. They were Robert James Hammond and Thomas Kelly McGregor, secretary and purser respectively.

Between June 6 and September 8, it was alleged, they embezzled £11,153 18s. 10d. Hammond was further charged with having, on August 22, embezzled £1,000.

The men's solicitors reserved the defence, and Hammond and McGregor were committed to prison for further examination.

THE CRANMER PICTURE MYSTERY.

SEARCH FOR OWNER.

The oil-painting of Archbishop Cranmer, which was the subject of a charge at Marlborough Street Police Court on Friday, is still occupying the attention of Scotland Yard officers, who are anxious to trace the owner.

Various experts have been interviewed, and it is now thought almost beyond doubt that the painting is an eighteenth-century copy of a sixteenth-century unsigned oil. The police believe it is possible that the picture was stolen on the Continent, and that it may at one time have figured in a Paris salon.

The value of the picture has not yet been definitely ascertained.

GIRL'S UNSHOD HORSE.

FATAL ACCIDENT TO DAUGHTER OF MAYOR OF BEXHILL.

At an inquest at Ipswich yesterday on Miss Doreen Turner Laing, daughter of the Mayor and Mayoress of Bexhill, who died in Ipswich Nursing Home from head injuries sustained in a fall from a horse at Erwarton, it was stated that she was riding in a muddy country lane when the animal slipped.

A groom, who looked after the horse, said it was twelve years old and quiet. The hind shoes had been off for a day or two, and arrangements had been made for the horse to be shod on Thursday, the day after the accident.

The coroner, who sat without a jury, recorded a verdict of "Accidental death."

CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

GAS LEAK LEADS TO WOMEN'S DEATH.

A combination of circumstances, the Islington deputy coroner remarked yesterday, was responsible for the death of Mary Ann Mann, aged 74, of Magdala Road, Upper Holloway Mrs. Mann was found dead at her home on Wednesday beside a gas stove, from which gas was escaping, a tap being turned on. A leak had developed in th connecting pipe of the stove.

Mr. Danford Thomas said that Mrs. Mann apparently had been gradually overcome by the escape of gas from the pipe. She had taken some alcohol to combat the effects, and then, hardly knowing what she was doing, had turned on the tap of the stove.

A verdict of death by misadventure was recorded.

FREE TRADE CAMPAIGN.

For the Liberal Free Trade Campaign during the autumn meetings are being arranged for all over the country. Mr. Lloyd George speaks at Stowmarket on September 20 and Sir Herbert Samuel at Tavistock and Tiverton on September 27, and both also at the National Liberal Federation meetings at Torquay in October.

INDIAN BORDER TROUBLES.

AGITATORS AT WORK IN AFGHANISTAN.

SHAH AND BRITAIN

CAMPAIGN DIRECTED AGAINST BOTH.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BOMBAY, Saturday.

Recent rumours about the King, Nadir Shah's health, and concerning ex-King Amanullah's intentions to return to Kabul, should be killed by the present proposals to have the Kabul Coronation on October 6, with festivities continuing for one week, though these will not be lavish, the Kabul Treasury being sadly depleted.

To-day's mail brought me a letter from a Kabul business friend in close touch with Court circles, stating that Prince Zaherjan, the King's sixteen-year-old son, is coming shortly from Paris with his cousin, Daud Jan, to Bombay en route for Kabul. The Prince went to Paris with his father in 1924, and remained there for his education. Possibly he is arriving for the Coronation, though my informant doesn't say so.

Writing on September 6, he says that Loi Zirga, or the Grand Assembly of over 300 representatives of the Nation, is gathering on the 13th (to-day) in order to discuss the Nation's future policy. This shows that Nadir Shah is anxious to institute such a form of democratic representation as is compatible with Afghan conditions, without inflaming the country with reforms such as were introduced by Amanullah, whose recklessness he condemned when I interviewed him on his arrival at Bombay from Paris during the revolution.

STIRRING UP THE TRIBES.

My informant gives details showing how the Indian Congressmen are endeavouring to stir up the Afghan frontier tribes, adding that much of the news recently about Nadir Shah's health, etc., was sheer propaganda.

Agitators have crossed the Afghan frontier, and are trying to exploit certain Afghan tribes, who believe they were insufficiently rewarded for helping to place Nadir Shah on the throne. The Afghan Government have strictly warned these tribes to remain neutral, and have removed all known agitators, but this, apparently, has not stopped the propaganda and rumours from spreading. This letter throws a light on thes severe fighting along the Kurram Border of Afghanistan in the Peiwar and Kharlachi areas, where our aircraft are still meeting with heavy enemy fire, according to the latest news, and the position gives cause for the gravest anxiety in view of the generally unsettled state of the frontier.

NADIR'S ORDERS IGNORED.

The latest news from the frontier, a Reuter Simla message states, is that in the Peiwar area the enemy are continuing their sniping from the frontier in spite of definite orders to disperse delivered by an Afghan brigadier on behalf of King Nadir Khan.

The 4/10th Baluchis, aided by artillery, inflicted a number of casualties yesterday.

THE SALT PROBLEM.

FURTHER INQUIRY BY THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT.

SIMLA, Saturday.

The report of the Tariff Board on the salt industry is engaging the close attention of the Government of India. In order to follow the suggestion made in the report, they have decided to undertake a fuller investigation into the possibility of expanding the existing sources of supply in India, and into the effect such expansion would have on salt prices. They have decided to entrust this inquiry to Sir Chunilal Mehta and Mr. C. H. Pitt, general manager of the Northern India Salt Revenue Department

It is hoped that it will be possible to begin the investigation about the middle of October. The Tariff Board's proposals for the control of imported salt and of the marketing of salt in Northern India are also being carefully considered, but, before coming to a definite conclusion, the Government of India are anxious to have the benefit of public opinion on these and other aspects of the report.—*Reuter.*

DEATH DUE TO SLIP.

ELECTRICIAN KILLED AT "SAFER" CABLE BOX.

A verdict of "Death by misadventure" was recorded by Mr. H. B. Sewell, the coroner, at a Beckenham inquest yesterday on Wilfrid James Parrett (35), a married man, of Avondale Square, New Cross, an electrician employed by the Beckenham Urban District Council.

Parrett was killed while at work on Thursday by coming into contact with a live bar carrying 200 volts.

Mr. J. Tapper, the council's engineer, said that Parrett was putting new fuses in a cable box at Elmers End. He had neglected to wear the rubber gloves. He was found clasping a bar in a cable box of a new type which had just been installed by the council because they thought it was safer.

Mr. Tapper expressed the opinion that Parrett must have slipped on the damp ground and clutched the live bar in trying to save himself from falling.

Medical evidence was given that death was due to asphyxiation following an electric shock.

WOMEN IN COUNCIL.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOCIAL WORK OVERSEAS.

More than 700 delegates will attend the annual conference of the National Council of Women of Great Britain, which opens at Portsmouth on October 6.

The legal position of women in the Empire—including women of the non-European races—work among seamen, opportunities open to women for social work overseas, and the question of the liquor traffic in Africa are among the subjects down for discussion. Other resolutions framed in the interests of the children urge the Government to give speedy effect to the recommendations of its two departmental committees on offences against young persons and the treatment of young offenders. Another resolution deplores the tendency to hand over to Ministers of Departments powers to frame resolutions having the force of statutes.

The speakers will include representatives from Australia, India, and Nova Scotia. Mrs. Keynes, as President, will take the chair at the business sessions, and other members whose names appear on the programme include Lady Emmott, the Countess of Selborne, Marjorie Lady Nunburnholme, and the Hon. Mrs. Franklin.

EXPRESS ENGINE FAILS.

Traffic on the London, Midland and Scottish Railway main line between Scotland and Carlisle was delayed for an hour yesterday as a consequence of the failure of the engine of the Royal Scottish express from Edinburgh to Euston. The locomotive failed at Nethercleugh (Dumfries) thirty-six miles North of Carlisle, near the scene of the Dinwoodie disaster.

Three goods wagons were derailed at Newark on the London and North-Eastern line in the early hours of yesterday, causing delay on the main line. Little damage was done to the permanent way, and the line was soon cleared.

MOTORING ON CRUDE OIL.

A BRIGHTON ROAD EXPERIMENT.

CAR WITH DIESEL ENGINE.

An experiment which may lead to a considerable reduction in the cost of motoring was made by Mr. C. B. Wardman when he drove a car fitted with a Diesel engine, fuelled with crude oil, from London to Brighton yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Wardman, who was formerly chairman of a well-known motor-car firm and is now in business on his own account, claims that this is the first time a car fitted with a Diesel engine and driven with crude oil has attempted a journey of this length.

"In 1928," he said to the SUNDAY TIMES, "I won the Dewar trophy shield with a car so fitted. I have experimented with this development in motoring for fifteen years, and I am prepared to say there is no reason why any type of car, from the cheap run-about to the most luxurious limousine on the market, should not be run on crude oil. The cost with crude oil is a fraction of that of petrol—5d. as against 1s. 4d. per gallon.

"This car, a 8/10 horse power, will make the journey from London to Brighton at a total cost of less than 6d. A car of this power consumes a gallon of petrol to every twenty-five to thirty miles, but with a gallon of crude oil will cover fifty to sixty miles."

Mr. Wardman said that any car with suitable gearing would maintain the same speed with crude oil as if petrol-driven.

The Royal Automobile Club has under consideration the organisation of international trials of crude oil-fuelled road vehicles.

SOUND-PROOF HOSPITAL.

NO BELLS IN WARDS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BRADFORD, Saturday.

Princess Mary Countess of Harewood will visit Bradford next Thursday to open the first of the six blocks which will eventually constitute the new Bradfor Royal Infirmary, situated above the city's smoke belt at Daisy Hill. The estimated cost of the infirmary is over £500,000.

The first block will be known as the Duke of York's Home, and is said to be the finest building of its kind in Great Britain, and embodies the most up-to-date devices in hospital equipment, including sound-proofing precautions of an elaborate nature, which, ensuring the maximum restfulness for the patient, have earned for the building the name of "hush-hush" hospital.

There will be no bell-ringing. When a patient signals to the nurses' quarters for attention the call is recorded in the head matron's office, and a light shows until the nurse enters the room, and, by pushing a switch near the door, lets the matron know the call has been duly dealt with. The telltale light enables the matron to see that patients' calls are always attended to.

The building is of concrete, glazed brick, and a patent material like polished granite, which will not harbour dust. All corners and intersections of walls and floors have been given a rounded finish, so as to facilitate cleaning and to avoid accumulation of dirt.

The windows are of special glass, which allows beneficial ultra-violet rays to flood the rooms. There are no visible radiators or heating pipes. The heat will come from hidden panels in the ceiling.

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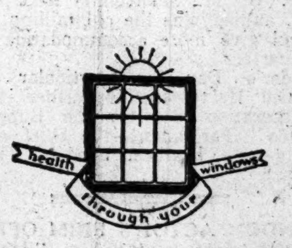

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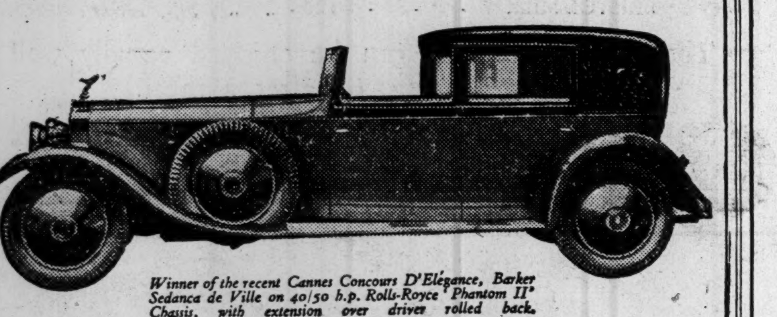

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HENRY AINLEY'S RECORD.

500TH APPEARANCE IN A PLAY.

VIEWS ON THEATRE SLUMP.

Last night Mr. Henry Ainley played for the 500th time his part in Mr. St. John Ervine's play, "The First Mrs. Fraser," at the Haymarket Theatre. Mr. Ainley has not missed a single performance of the play.

"It has certainly been a very happy and memorable year for me," Mr. Ainley told the SUNDAY TIMES, "especially as I have had the honour of acting with Miss Marie Tempest throughout the run of the play. She is the finest actress in the world, and it is due chiefly to her art that the play is enjoyin gthis amazingly long run."

Questioned about the slump in the theatre world, Mr. Ainley said he did not know that there was one. "Change, yes, but the theatre as an institution is permanent and eternal. We cannot see ourselves as high as we are in our own time, nor as we shall be seen fifty years hence. I believe posterity will look upon this period as having been a very happy one."

In reminiscence, Mr. Ainley talked of his early days in Yorkshire. About his birth, he said that most of the reference books are wrong. They give his native town as Morley, where the late Earl of Oxford and Asquith was born.

"As a matter of accuracy," he said, "I was born in Leeds, and was taken as a baby ten months old to Morley, when my facther acquired a woollen mill near the station there."

ARGENTINA'S NEW ERA.

EX-PRESIDENT STILL A PRISONER.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

It is officially announced that the ex-President of Argentina, Señor Irigoyen, is under arrest, and will not be allowed to leave the Argentine.

According to an Associated Press dispatch from Buenos Aires, Señor Irigoyen is still on board the cruiser General Belgrano, which is lying in Buenos Aires roads, just outside the harbour.

General Uriburu is indisposed, and some audiences he was going to give to deputations from various bodies have been postponed till Monday.

A funeral service for the persons who lost their lives in the revolution was held in the cathedral to-day. Dr. Santa Marina, Vice-President, and a number of notabilities, including members of the Diplomatic Body, attended, while military honours were rendered by a large force of troops. Hearty cheers for the soldiers were given by the crowds.

There is still a great display of bunting in the city, and generally—outwardly at any rate—an optimistic tone prevails. Attention is called to the announcement that "ten more foreign banks have offered the Government credits amounting to fifty million United States dollars."

A highly-placed personage in the present Administration, on being asked what the Government's intentions were in regard to the reopening of the Caja de Conversion, which has been closed for some time, and the resumption of membership of the League of Nations, replied that he did not think the Provisional Government would be in a position to do anything till the new Parliament had been convened.—*Reuter*.

BIGGER BARGES ON CANALS.

BRIDGES TO BE REBUILT.

Bridges which for over a century have been landmarks on the Grand Union Canal between London and Birmingham will be reconstructed as the outcome of the £881,000 development scheme which the Canal Company hopes shortly to undertake.

The general policy is to increase the capacity of the whole canal, so that the passage of bigger craft may be possible. Its realisation will depend, in a large measure, on the reconstruction of the bridges, as undertaken by the local authorities from time to time. In any new works of a permanent nature, allowance will be made for a waterway to allow the passage of barges of 14 ft. 6 in. beam; but it is estimated that craft of 12 ft. 6 in. beam would serve meanwhile to navigate the River Thames and take in cargo from ship or dock, thus saving the cost of the transhipment from barge to narrow boats which is at present necessary.

The company anticipates that craft will run in pairs as at present—namely motor-propelled barge and towed barge of the following dimensions:—72 ft. long by 12 ft. 6 in. beam, which, when drawing 4 ft. of water, will, it is estimated, carry 117 tons the pair, and when drawing 4 ft. 6 in. of water 137 tons the pair.

HARROW SCHOOL.

OLD BOYS AS NEW MASTERS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

HARROW, Saturday.

Dr. Cyril Norwood, Headmaster of Harrow, is expected home before the opening of the term as he is announced to preside next Sunday in the Speech Room, which he has lent for a recital given by the Salvation Army.

The school begins to return on the following day, when two new masters, Mr. E. T. Killick, the Middlesex and Cambridge cricketer, and Mr. F. B. Aikin-Sneath will be welcomed. Mr. Aikin-Sneath is an Old Boy, and only left The Park in 1919. He will join the band of young Old Harrovian masters who include Messrs. J. Bostock, T. F. Coade, F. A. Leaf, and the Bursar, Mr. C. P. Goodden.

J. G. S. Hobson, head of The Grove (Mr. T. E. J. Bradshaw's) will succeed R. D. Stewart Brown as Head of the School. W. M. Welch is returning, and will again be Captain of Football.

A new wing has been added to Druries (Mr. C. W. M. Moorsom's) next the Old Schools, and adjoins the old milling ground. This will give more accommodation in the boys' quarters.

Founder's Day—the particular festival when Old Harrovians foregather for the Commemoration Service, the Supper and "Tobacco" Parliament—the chief event of the early term, has been fixed for Thursday, October 9.

LONDON ACTOR'S FILM OFFER.

The name-part in the film "Mr. Wu" that was to have been taken by the late Lon Chaney may now be acted by Mr. Dennis Neilson-Terry, to whom one of the authors of the play has telegraphed an inquiry if he will consider an offer to go to America.

"I am certainly prepared to consider such an offer," Mr. Neilson-Terry said last evening. "I should regard it a great honour to step into the shoes of such a world-famous film actor as Chaney, but the run of my present play ("Traffic," at the Lyceum) shows no signs of ending."

RADIO MARVELS AT OLYMPIA.

FEATURES OF THIS YEAR'S SHOW.

CHEAPER SETS.

INGENIOUS RECORDING APPARATUS.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Four hundred stands and more than £5,000,000 worth of radio equipment will make this year's National radio show at Olympia—a show that will mark the tenth anniversary of broadcasting in England—the greatest that has yet been staged.

For the first time, the exhibition is to occupy not only the main hall at Olympia, but also the new Empire Hall. This year's show is important, too, on account of the fact that it will mark a definite dividing line between the technical side of radio, and the human side. It will show that the radio salesmen now acknowledge the wide gulf that lies between the radio "fan" and the ordinary listener.

And salesmen, appreciating that the ordinary listener is in more cases than not a woman, have gone out of their way to make receiving sets not only technically simple and easy to operate, but appealing to the feminine taste.

A WONDERFUL INSTRUMENT.

I am able to reveal several of the "secrets" of this year's exhibition. Perhaps the most sensational exhibit will be an enormous five-hundred-guinea radio-gramophone set. The set incorporates a specially designed five-valve screened-grid wireless receiver with an automatic, electrically operated gramophone that will play twenty-five records, changing them mechanically, and at each move, replacing the worn gramophone needle with a fresh one.

One of the marvels of this outfit, which is enclosed in a massive, five-feet walnut bureau, is the tremendous range of volume that can be obtained. Simply by moving a small control button, the sound can be raised sufficiently to fill the Albert Hall or decreased to a faint whisper. On the outside of the walnut bureau enclosing these marvels of sound reproduction, there is no visible sign that the bureau is anything more than a piece of furniture.

SIMPLE CONTROLS.

The general trend of the show this year appears to be towards further simplicity of control, an all-round reduction both in price and in size of sets, and a greater technical and manufacturing perfection. One instrument that will demonstrate both the reduction in price and the reduction in size is a novel portable set, approximately the same size as a normal box camera. This receiver, a two-valve outfit, will cost 50s., and will be, without doubt, the cheapest portable wireless set in the world.

An interesting sidelight on radio manufacturers' policy which will be brought out at the show will be the new methods of salesmanship employed. Dealers are fast losing the old idea that once a radio set is sold the transaction ends. It has been realised, now, that the policy of service after sales is a paying one, and manufacturers are introducing technical schools, where dealers and their assistants can be taught, free of charge, to repair and condition particular types of delicate instruments.

The radio show opens at Olympia on Friday, and continues until Saturday, September 27.

GEN. HIGGINS ON THE ZAMBESI.

"CLOSE-UP" VIEW OF A CROCODILE.

BULAWAYO (RHODESIA), Saturday.

In order to pay his respects to Mr. Dobree, Acting-Governor of Northern Rhodesia, at Livingstone, General Edward Higgins, Commander of the Salvation Army, who is visiting various mission fields in South Africa, has made a voyage down the Zambesi in a motor launch that once served as a Thames police launch.

At a point where the little craft was hugging the shore General Higgins was interested to see, only a few feet away, a large crocodile lying in the shallow waters under the branches of a tree. Only two months ago, near the same spot, a crocodile captured an unwary native, while other crocodiles have made off with several oxen.

An interesting development has followed the visit of the General to the Mazoe Valley. At the suggestion of a member of the Southern Rhodesian Government, the General has decided to build, as a new feature of the Howard Salvationist Settlement, a large training school where selected native women can become fully qualified nurses. They will be stationed in remote districts, where the value of their services must tend to undermine the prestige of the witch-doctors.—*Reuter*.

SUNDAY IN ENGLAND.

WORSE THAN CONTINENT, SAYS MINISTER.

The fear that the English Sunday was becoming worse than the "Continental Sunday" was expressed, in an interview yesterday, by the Rev. Dr. Isaac Hartill, who retires to-day after seventeen years as pastor of Orange Street Chapel, Leicester Square.

"On the Continent," he said, "most people go to Church on Sunday morning, and they seem to carry a spirit of worship into the pleasure of the day. In this country, we are merely descrating the Sabbath. Very few of the people who spend Sunday on the golf links or tennis courts start the day in church."

Mr. Hartill said that a remarkable change had taken place in the attitude of our people to religion during the seventeen years he had spent at Orange Street. "Fewer people go to church, and very few young people attend regular worship."

There were a few churches which were packed every Sunday, but, unfortunately, a few such successes covered a multitude of failures. Numbers, however, were not a true test of spiritual vitality.

"There is," observed Mr. Hartell, "a spirit of inquiry among the young. I see signs of a reaction against the reckless gaiety which has threatened to swamp the spiritual life of this country. Recreation and pleasure are essential to the development of a healthy being, but nobody can afford to neglect the things of mind and spirit. People are finding that out just in time."

SOLICITOR DROWNED.

Mr. Archibald H. Yeatman, a Poole solicitor, and for many years Clerk of the Peace there, was drowned yesterday while bathing at Sandbanks, near the entrance of Poole Harbour. A huge wave struck him and he was dragged from the water unconscious. Artificial respiration was applied for over two hours without success.

A NEW MAID OR MANSERVANT?—The help you require may be found in the Situations Bureau columns of the SUNDAY TIMES, or obtainable by advertising for it. The rate is 1s. a line. See page 28.

FOUR SISTERS IN CAR CRASH.

TRAGEDY ON RETURN FROM HOLIDAY.

GIRL DRIVER KILLED.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MANCHESTER, Saturday.

Four sisters named Levy, returning yesterday from a holiday on the Continent, started to complete the journey from Folkestone to Manchester in a motor-car driven by one of the sisters, Miss Camille Levy, of Barlow Cross, West Didsbury, Manchester.

They had almost reached the village of Ashby St. Leger, Northants, last evening, when the car swerved and ran into a hedge. It was overturned, and Miss Camille Levy was thrown out and received a fracture of the base of the skull, from which she died.

One of her sisters, who was sitting beside her, was also thrown out and suffered slight concussion. The other sisters, who were in the rear of the car, had narrow escapes.

HEAD-ON SMASH.

19 PEOPLE TAKEN TO HOSPITAL.

One man was killed and nineteen people were taken to hospital as the result of a head-on collision between two motor-coaches plying between Birmingham and Bournemouth at a narrow bend near Newbury yesterday.

The dead man was Thomas Sylvester, aged about 40, of Stourbridge Road, Kidderminster, the driver of one of the coaches.

Nineteen people were taken to hospital at Newbury, and the following were detained.—Mrs. Rose Sophia Poole, 50, of Poplar Road, King's Heath, Birmingham; Miss Emily Palmer, 32, of Foxhill Farm, Barbeaton, near Walsall; Mrs. Wilks, 70, of Bearwood, near Birmingham; William Hayfield, 64, of Mountz Street, Small Heath, Birmingham; Mrs. Sarah Hayfield, 61, of the same address; Miss Hilda Walters, 25, a stepdaughter of the Hayfields; Mrs. Edith Taylor, 33, of Priory Road, King's Heath, Birmingham; Milson Terry, 42, of College Road, Moseley, Birmingham, the driver of the other coach; Mrs. Hilda Hughes, 34, of Poleshill Road, Ward End, Birmingham.

Among others also treated at the hospital were Mr. Thomas Poole, husband of Mrs. Poole, who was severely injured; his son, Ronald Charles Poole, aged 16; John Brierley, 33, of Park Lane, Aston, Birmingham; his two children, Grace, aged 8, and Joan, aged 6; Edgar Taylor, of Brierly Road, King's Heath, Birmingham; Mabel Goodwin, 24, of Hall Green, Birmingham; Alice Otley, of Harborn Park Road, Harborn, near Birmingham; and Enid Baker, of The Elms, Shirley, Birmingham.

KILLED AFTER DANCE.

CAR CRASHES INTO A TRAM STANDARD.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MIDDLESBROUGH, Saturday.

One man was killed and five other persons, including a woman, were injured when the car in which they were returning from a dance at Haverton Hill crashed into a central tramway standard in Albert Road, Middlesbrough, early this morning. The car was wrecked.

The dead man was Thomas Nicholson, aged about 21, of Surrey Street, Middlesbrough. The injured, who were treated at the North Riding Infirmary, are: Mrs. Lilian Carroll, aged 32, of Ashfield Avenue, Grove Hill, Middlesbrough; Arthur Pierce (19), of Surrey Street, Middlesbrough; John Mardon (37), of Banks Street, Middlesbrough; William Baker (21), of Carrol Street, Middlesbrough; and the driver, William Banks (28), of Ulk Street, Haverton Hill. With the exception of Mr. Mardon, all were detained. The others are making satisfactory progress towards recovery.

FOOTBALLERS HURT.

VAN IN COLLISION WITH MOTOR-BUS.

Five members of a Barking football team were injured when the motor-van, in which they were travelling, came into collision with a motor-bus at the junction of East Way and Wood Lane, Dagenham, yesterday. The bus was damaged, and mounted the pavement, pedestrians narrowly escaping being run into.

The injured footballers were: J. Butler, 39, of London Road, Barking; W. Brazil, 21, of Abbey Road, Barking; B. F. Jackson, 16, of Gascoigne Road, Barking; and W. H. Terry, 29, of Oakwood Avenue, Seven Kings; and a man named Archer, 32, of Morrab Road, Barking.

After treatment they were able to go home, Butler and Brazil being taken by ambulance.

A TRIPLE COLLISION.

Following a collision between an omnibus, a motor-car, and a motor-van, at Hampstead Heath, yesterday, Mr. Robert Blyth and his wife, of Birchington Road, Crouch End, passengers in the 'bus, were taken to New End Hospital, Hampstead.

THREE CHILDREN KILLED.

Maggie Holmes, aged 13, of Short Street, Woolwich, was knocked down and killed by a motor-lorry in Plumstead Road, Woolwich, yesterday.

Four children were playing on the pavement in High Street, Fenton, Stoke-on-Trent, yesterday, when one ran into the road, causing a motor-lorry driver to apply brakes quickly. The lorry skidded on the greasy road and mounted the pavement, killing Douglas Birks, aged five, of Meakins Row, Fenton, and injuring his brother John.

Mrs. Ellen Northfield, of Orchard Street Estate, S.W., who was injured when a motor-coach in which she was travelling on September 7 collided with a tram standard in Lea Bridge Road, died at Whipp's Cross Hospital yesterday. Miss Winifred Alice Radley, 22, of Amner Road, Clapham Common, another passenger, died on the day of the accident, and nine other people were injured.

Gordon Albert Burgess, aged 4½ years, of Whitehawk Crescent, Brighton, who was knocked down by a motor-van on Friday, died in the Sussex County Hospital, Brighton, yesterday.

Three persons were injured yesterday when a motor omnibus to Great Yarmouth from Blackpool was in collision with a cattle wagon near Nottingham yesterday. They were Herbert Chapman and his wife, of Chapel-en-le-Frith, and Winifred Newman, aged 18, of Peterborough.

DEFECTIVE FRENCH 'PLANES.

PARIS, Saturday.

The recent accidents to French Air Force machines entailing loss of life at Dijon and Chartres are the subject of a *communiqué* of the Air Ministry, which states that inquiries have shown that they were caused by defects in the machines.

The Air Ministry has consequently prohibited the use of all aeroplanes of this particular class, and they will be put out of commission immediately.—*Reuter*.

FIRST LORD IN PARIS.

TALKS WITH THE MINISTER OF MARINE

FRANCE'S NAVAL POLICY.

"OUR POSITION IS IMPREGNABLE."

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

Following upon his conversations with the French Minister of Marine yesterday morning, Mr. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, with Mrs. and Miss Alexander, was entertained at dinner last night by M. Dumesnil. There were also present: M. Piètre, the Minister for the Colonies; M. Rio, Under-Secretary for Marine; Admiral Violette, Admiral Docteur, Mr. Ronald Campbell, British Minister in Paris, and Captain Hallifax, the British Naval Attaché.

No statement regarding the talks between the First Lord and M. Dumesnil has been issued, beyond the fact that they exchanged, "in the greatest unity, views on questions which interest both navies."

The French Press, as a whole, contents itself with this, but in some quarters there is a tendency to attach considerable importance to the talks. The Naval question from the Franco-Italian point of view, it is assumed, was doubtless touched upon.

Receiving a representative of the *Journal* immediately before the arrival of Mr. Alexander at the Ministry of Marine yesterday morning, M. Dumesnil, in the course of an outline of his ideas regarding the French navy, made the following statement:—

"France is the second Colonial Power in the world. Let us never forget that she comes immediately after Great Britain, and this obliges her to have sufficient naval forces to ensure the defence of her overseas possessions, as well as such forces as are indispensable to her for her own defence. It is this thesis that I energetically supported at the London Conference. Things have not changed since. Our right is incontestable. I am waiting for Mr. Alexander, the First Lord of the Admiralty, with whom I am going to have conversations on the subject. Our position is impregnable."

BOMBAY FLOODS.

ALL RAIN RECORDS BROKEN.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BOMBAY, Saturday.

A further 2 in. of rain to-day brings the week's total in Bombay to 34 in. This breaks all records, and is nearly equal to the total amount for the year previous to Sunday.

Since Wednesday's deluge, which averaged nearly an inch hourly, the streets have been constantly flooded, but traffic is now almost normal, except on some railways, whose services are dislocated owing to subsidences in the Western Ghats.

If the present rain continues more house-collapses are feared, and further loss of life, as many foundations have been suberged for several days. The Poona races were postponed to-day, and the weather has brought Congress picketing activities almost to a standstill.

Bombay Corporation is busy inquiring through a special committee into the allegations of police excesses during the recent clashes with volunteers, and last night Mrs. Kamdar, the present chairman of the "War Council," described these clashes and the pursuit across the Maidan and saltpans by mounted and other police. The evidence gives one the impression that particular pains are being taken to establish that police pursued those running away.

HEADQUARTERS A HAYSTACK.

BOY THIEVES CAUGHT.

At Chelmsford Children's Court yesterday two Redhill boys, aged 15 and 13, and an East Ham boy, aged 12, were charged with stealing jewellery and other articles, valued £55, the property of Francis Unwin, of Hill Road, Edgware.

It was stated that the boys were seen to examine motor-cars at a parking place. Two ran away, but were afterwards found lying in a haystack a mile away. Underneath the hay were found three attache cases, including Mr. Unwin's.

Detective Mitchell said the boys had made the haystack their headquarters at night, and during the day they went about stealing articles from unattended motor-cars.

The boys said they took the cases hoping they contained food, as they were hungry.

Superintendent Brown said there were thirteen other cases of a similar nature, which the boys desired to be taken into consideration. The two elder boys had been sent to a reformatory, from which they had absconded. The 13-year-old boy appeared to be the ringleader, and the headmaster of Redhill Reformatory described him as very intelligent, but a clever liar.

The magistrates ordered the two elder boys to return to Redhill Reformatory until they were 19, with a request that they should be separated. The youngest boy was sent to a reformatory for five years.

RIVER CHASE.

SUSPECTED MAN JUMPS OVERBOARD.

A man suspected by the Thames Police to have been concerned with three others in an attempt to steal copper rods from Messrs. Pearce and Company's wharf at Charlton, early yesterday, is believed to have been drowned.

The river police saw four men in a boat, but when the police launch approached three of them jumped into the river and swam for the shore. Under the cover of darkness they managed to elude their pursuers, who had only the sound of their splashing to guide them. The men succeeded in reaching the shore and disappeared.

The police then went after the other man, who had remained in the boat, but when he saw them approaching he also jumped into the Thames and was lost sight of. The police endeavoured for some time to find the man or his body, but failed to do so.

It is thought that when the man dived into the river he must have struck something rendering him unconscious, and that he was drowned.

PRISON FOR RAILWAY PORTER.

Mr. Barrington Ward, the Old Street magistrate, yesterday passed sentence of three months' imprisonment in the second division on James William James, 27, a railway porter, for stealing and receiving a parcel containing combs of the value of £7 5s., the property of his employers, the London Midland and Scottish Railway Company.

A NEW SYSTEM OF HEALTH.

EUGENICAL TRAINING IN SCHOOLS.

UNIVERSITIES AS GRAVEYARDS.

Dr. Jon A. Mjoen, of Norway, addressing the International Federation of Eugenic Organisations Conference, at Hinton St. Mary, Dorset, last night, on the eugenic situation in Norway, dealt with the problems of segregation of criminals in working colonies, the sterilisation of the inferior race elements, maternity insurance, a progressive wage system and a regressive tax for family supporters.

"What is wanted in our State administration?" he asked. "A new system of law—we shall not treat the crime but the criminal, a new system of health—50 per cent. preventive instead of, as now, 1 per cent. preventive and 99 per cent. curative; a new system for education—mental culture and body culture; a health test instead of an examination test; a new system of poor relief embodying help to self-help."

Dr. Mjoen also emphasised the need for training young girls to make them more fit for motherhood.

EUGENICAL INSTRUCTION.

Dr. C. G. Campbell (New York) pleaded for eugenical instruction in elementary schools.

"In America," he said, "perhaps the greatest reason for the decision in favour of Prohibition was the teaching in the schools of the pernicious effect of alcohol. Thirty-five or forty years ago they taught the evils of alcohol. That is why this generation grew up with the impression that alcohol is all bad, and should be eradicated. If there were a little elementary eugenics taught in our schools the next generation would be eugenical."

It was stated that the marriage advisory bureau which was started in Vienna was not besieged by applicants for advice. About 300 cases came in a year. Half were candidates for marriage and the other half were married people.

Mrs. C. B. S. Hodson, hon. administrative secretary of the Federation, speaking of the eugenic situation in England, said that even Roman Catholics were working with them as far as their religious principles would allow. Eugenics might work practically in England if they could be associated with health insurance.

THE DELICATE AND DISEASED.

"Our population has a sense of provision for its own needs. If we could once make the population feel that to prevent the birth of delicate and diseased persons they would leave larger funds in hand in their insurance groups for benefits in other directions, we should cultivate a sense of eugenic responsibility."

Dr. Mjoen explained afterwards to a Press representative that there was far too much masculine education among women to-day, and this was having serious results.

"The education of women should not be masculine," he said. "We should, in the training of women, teach biology—renewal of the family; chemistry—nourishment of the family; and hygiene—protection of the family; and similar sciences which will attract the interest of our girls towards the home, instead of the present education, which is turning them away from the home.

"Our present education of women makes the universities graveyards for our best stocks," he added. "University women marry on an average at the age of thirty, and have on an average 1.6 children. In America they have only one child. It is all very wrong and should be remedied."

NOT TO MARRY YET.

MAGISTRATE'S ADVICE TO GIRL UNDER 21.

"I am not going to assist you. Your mother is the best person to decide. If she thinks it better that you should wait until you are 21, why not wait? Your application will be dismissed."

Thus said Mr. Oulton, the Tower Bridge magistrate, yesterday, to Dorothy Jones, aged 20, of Garden Row, Southwark, who applied for permission to marry Leonard Robert Hensford, owing to her mother's refusal to give her consent. It was stated that her father was dead.

The mother, Mrs. Mary Jones, of Calmington Road, Camberwell, said that, eight weeks ago, her daughter's young man suggested that she should take a larger house, so that they could get married and live with her for company. She agreed, and then heard that they had been looking for a flat, and that they had been to the Registrar to try to get married. Her daughter then gave her age as 22.

As she did not like it, she told the young man to "clear off." He did, and her daughter went too. The young man had nothing saved up. They had been away for a three weeks' holiday on some money he had won by betting. She would consent if they asked her properly, and if they had the money saved.

Mr. Oulton (to applicant): Is what your mother says true?—Yes.

How long have you been engaged?—We are not engaged.

The magistrate, as stated, refused the application.

In a case at North London, a young man who told the magistrate that he desired to get married was granted a summons against his parents who, he said, refused to give their consent. The youth said that he was 19 years old, was in regular work, and earning £3 a week. His fiancée was 18, and could go out to work.

WONDER CLOCK.

KNIGHTS IN COMBAT AT EACH QUARTER.

A remarkable bronze clock, destined for a public building in Ontario, has been made in London. It measures 18 ft. from top to bottom, and weighs over a ton.

The lower part represents the round tower of a Norman castle, before which, every quarter-hour, two knights meet to joust. With levelled lances they charge each other, twice at a quarter-past, four times at half-past, and six times at three-quarters past the hour. When the clock strikes the full hour they have eight bouts. Occasionally a combatant is hit, and, pivoted on his thighs, falls back on the haunches of his charger. He comes up smiling, however, for the next round.

The design is taken from the clock on Wells Cathedral, which was invented by Peter Lightfoot, a fourteenth-century monk at Glastonbury. A small rotary motor provides the power, and the performance is controlled automatically by a synchronome master clock. The timepiece was executed by Mr. F. Hope-Jones, who is the maker of the clocks at Greenwich Observatory that have broken the world's record for time-keeping.

BRITISH TRACTORS FOR ALGERIA.

In the face of competition from American, German, and other foreign trade rivals, the Rushton Tractor Company, whose factory is at Walthamstow, has secured a large contract for the supply of tractors to the French colony of Algeria. Further orders are expected to follow. Hitherto the tractors used in Algeria have been almost exclusively of American manufacture.

Rugby Football.

ASTONISHING RESULTS IN PROVINCIAL GAMES.

COVENTRY'S HOME DEFEAT—BRILLIANT BRISTOL.

'QUINS START BADLY, BUT ROSSLYN PARK ESCAPE.

The early Rugby games provided some surprises on a day marked by heavy going and difficult handling conditions. Among these was the heavy reverse of Manchester at home, Headingley winning handsomely by 21 pts. to 11. The Harlequins began their season with a visit from the popular old-established Wasps' side, and were soundly beaten, the penalty of fielding an unrepresentative side.

There was a rare duel at Cardiff and many thrilling passages, for Bristol played determinedly throughout, and won in magnificent style by 28 pts. to 14. Even more surprising was the overthrow of Coventry at home by Bridgend.

Burton ran Rosslyn Park very closely, the London side scraping home by a solitary point in a game marked by moderate play. A second half improvement was the main factor in Bath's emphatic win over Bridgwater, but Newport rallied in vain in their effort to overcome Cross Keys, and a draw ensued.

Leicester overran the Old Blues, tries coming freely in the second half, and Plymouth were full value for their success over Exeter. Gloucester failed to beat Lydney, not a point being scored.

OLD BLUES' HEAVY DEFEAT.

LEICESTER SHOW BETTER FORM.

By D. R. GENT.

LEICESTER 20 Pts., OLD BLUES 0.

LEICESTER, Saturday.

It was rather bad luck on Leicester that for the second Saturday in succession they should have had wretched weather for their match. Heavy rain had fallen for some time before the kick-off, and it showed no signs of stopping when the game started.

Buckingham kicked off before a small crowd of spectators. From the first scrum Leicester tried a bout of passing, but the ball did not go very far, and Greenlees did well to get it into touch. Again Leicester heeled, and Gadney passed to Greenlees for the latter to drop the slippery ball and cause another scrum. Commendably persistent, the home backs tried again, this time with a little more success, for the ball went along the line to Buckingham before the movement was pulled up.

The visitors were being penned in their own "25," and only a clever interception by Jones of a pass by Greenlees gave them relief. Jones took play to the half-way line, but it did not stay there long, for a short rush by the forwards and a clever pick-up by Buckingham saw the latter force his way over for a try less than ten minutes after the start. Norman failed with the kick.

The Old Blues did much better after this, and Hooper and Oliver, supporting their forwards well, made quite a promising attack on the Leicester line. Quickly the ball went to the other end of the field, though, and both the full-backs were prominent with good defensive work. For offside at the scrum the Old Blues were penalised, and Greenlees kicked quite a good penalty goal. A breakaway from the scrum by Gadney looked ugly for the visitors, the defence being very slow in getting across to cut him off. Fortunately for the Old Blues, however, when partly tackled Gadney lost the ball, and in the close play that followed Hooper was able to clear with a long kick to touch.

This started the second incursion of the Old Blues into their opponents' half. It was not long lived but a very fine long kick by Neilson from a penalty put his side on the attack once more, only to see Gadney break away, "sell the dummy" very easily, and just manage to force his way to within a few feet of the line before putting Farndon in with the second unconverted try.

The Old Blues were nothing if not plucky, and again responded with a really determined attack on the Leicester line, backs and forwards helping, and Greenlees, too, by a miskick near his own line. But gradually the Leicester forwards worked their way towards the half-way line, and the visitors had missed another chance. Still, they stuck to their job, though, and Manson, the Leicester full-back, was forced to kick dead. The Old Blues were right on the Leicester line for some minutes, but they were unable to finish off their work properly, and when the whistle went for half-time, Leicester were leading by 9 points to nil.

The Second Half.

A well-placed kick was poorly returned by Mauson, and by strong forward play the Old Blues gave their opponents rather an anxious time till Greenlees picked up very neatly and put in a pretty screw-kick to touch. A fumble by Manson right on this line gave the Old Blues a splendid chance that they really should have made full use of. Once again, though they let it slip, a knock-on at a crucial moment being their undoing this time.

With their forwards once more giving them the ball, the Leicester backs got going again, and Buckingham ran well. When he was tackled the ball went to the backs, and Farndon made a fine run before being well tackled by Jones. In the loose play that followed Greenlees kicked hard ahead, and Llewellyn showed excellent judgment in racing up to score the third unconverted try in the corner.

For some time now the game slowed down a good deal, and it consisted of rather dull forward play, the packs being about evenly matched. Then at the end of half an hour's play we had a capital try, worked for almost entirely by Kerby. He ran for about twenty yards, was tackled, got up and dribbled on, and then, after getting the ball again, neatly side-stepped Neilson and fell over for Leicester's fourth try, unconverted like the others.

This was followed by the best concerted movement the Old Blues put in during the whole match. Quite half a dozen men handled and all made headway. Eventually the ball reached Jones on the left-wing, and he cross-kicked just a few feet too far ahead, for Buckingham was able to field the ball behind his score-line and touch down. It was all delightfully done, and the crowd enjoyed it immensely. Everybody was anxious to see the Old Blues get a score, for they had certainly deserved one, but it was not to be, and actually the match was finished off with another Leicester score, worked for by Farndon, Buckingham, and Llewellyn, with the last named touching down between the posts. This time the try was converted, Norman being the kicker.

Capable Half-Backs.

This was a very cheery game indeed, and I have rarely seen a more enjoyable one so early in the season. Leicester won by a score that, in some ways, flattered them. The main cause of their substantial win was the element of class they introduced into their play, as contrasted with that of their opponents. In a sense the Old Blues had nearly as much of the game as Leicester had, but when it came to finishing off a movement, or even starting one smartly, the advantage was decidedly with Leicester.

The weather conditions were not helpful to back play, but with such capable half-backs as H. D. Greenlees and B. C. Gadney waiting behind them, I suppose the Leicester forwards thought they must get the ball out, and get if they did, having in this respect a distinct pull over the Old Blues' pack. With the ball so slippery it was not surprising that there were lots of knocks on, but the ball was also taken cleanly lots of times, and the Leicester backs did one or two things that they will not improve on at any time during the season.

I must say I liked the way the Old Blues stuck to their job. It is not a very heartening sort of business when you work your hardest, do a lot of attacking, and yet see your opponents do all the scoring. Lack of pace and of class are heavy handicaps though, and, however much the Old Blues will enjoy their football and give spectators a great deal of pleasure, they will have to get more pace, especially before they get their full reward. W. W. Neilson, K. C. Oliver, G. N. Hooper, T. N. Pearce, and H. A. Constantine were as prominent as any in a side that left a very good impression in Leicester.

LEICESTER.—C. Manson, W. E Farndon, J. G. I. Llewellyn, R. A. Buckingham and C. C. Beatty-Pownall; H. D. Greenlees (Capt.) and B. C. Gadney; D. J. Norman, R. A. K. Wiener, S. H. Saunders, E. G. Coleman, W. I. Kerby, G. R. C. Vallance, A. H. Greenwood, and P. S. Clarke.

OLD BLUES.—W. W. Neilson (Capt.); T. G. Jennings, K. C. Oliver S. H. Wales and R. A. Jones; H. E. R. Wales and G. N. Hooper; T. N. Pearce, N. K. Payne. H. A. Constantine, J. R. Harrison, P. S. Osborne, J. N. Young, J. J. Redman, and D. S. Maclagan.

Referee: Mr. T. Holder.

'QUINS GET A SHOCK.

SMART WORK BY WASPS' FORWARDS.

HARLEQUINS 0 pts., WASPS 8.

As was only to be expected so early in the season, the Harlequins were rather weakly represented for their first match, which was with the Wasps at Teddington. In these circumstances it was not surprising that the Wasps attacked almost continually from the start, their forwards doing splendid work. Swyer and Valentine, both forwards, were nearly in before Jeans dashed over for the Wasps, Compton failing with the kick. The 'Quins played with little dash, and, besides being beaten forward, showed poor tactics behind the scrum.

The Wasps forwards again played grandly in the second half, showing splendid dash in the loose. Half-way through Hopkins broke through and sent Valentine over for the Wasps, Compton converting. Towards the close the Harlequin forwards improved somewhat, and their backs had chances which were lost through failing to handle the wet ball.

Superior to their rivals at all points, particular praise should be accorded to the Wasps' forwards, who not only more than held their own in the tight scrummages, but showed fine speed and dash in the loose. Moreover, their quick breaking tactics when they lost the ball in the scrum enabled them to effectively break up any threatened Harlequin attack. As a result the home side brought off scarcely one passing movement that gained any ground.

The whole of the Wasps' back division supplemented the efforts of the pack in a most praiseworthy manner, R. H. Jeans outplaying his opposite number at scrum half; whilst E. C. R. Hopkins and J. W. Bruford showed capital judgment in cutting through in the centre with J. Sanders a thoroughly reliable full-back, who made few mistakes throughout the game.

With the pack well beaten, the Harlequin backs had few chances, the touch-finding of H. H. C. Laird and K. H. Chapman being the only redeeming features. Several times in the first half the Wasps' forwards threatened danger with their fierce rushes, but the touch went in favour of a Harlequin defender on each occasion.

MASTERLY HEADINGLEY.

SURPRISING SUCCESS AGAINST MANCHESTER.

MANCHESTER 11 pts., HEADINGLEY 21.

Headingley played surprisingly well in beating their keen rivals, Manchester, on the latter's ground, at Kersal, in showery weather, before a fair attendance. Booth crossed for Headingley after five minutes' play, Bedford failing at the goal. Further tries for Headingley were obtained by Armistead and Auty (2), Bullus improving one Hughes obtained an unimproved try for Manchester.

Five minutes after the interval James crossed for Headingley, Bullus failing to improve. Shortly afterwards Bedford dropped a goal for Headingley. Later, Hudson crossed for Manchester, Hughes adding the goal points. Duxbury added a further unimproved try for Manchester, who were soundly beaten.

FRIGHT FOR ROSSLYN PARK.

BURTON-ON-TRENT 6 pts., ROSSLYN PARK 7.

Rosslyn Park opened their season at Burton-on-Trent, and found the conditions all against good handling. They were frequently attacking, but could not penetrate the Burton defence. Loose forward rushes by Burton went near, but nothing resulted. Abortive attempts at dropped goals lost Rosslyn their two best chances. Burton scored through a penalty-kick by Barker.

Beddows scored an unconverted try in the corner in the second half, following a weak clearance by Dent. After a Rosslyn Park rush had been stopped by Sorton the ball came back to Baker, who dropped a goal. Cavendish scored the winning try after a short passing movement, and Rosslyn Park just pulled the game out of the fire.

SWANSEA'S CANTER.

SWANSEA 37 pts., PONTARDAWE 0.

Swansea, at home, were not highly tried by Pontardawe, and the game was not outstandingly interesting to the two thousand spectators. Swansea's heavier forwards controlled most of the scrummages, and their backs were able to operate to good advantage. Trew kicked a penalty goal, and tries were obtained by Tom Day, Aubrey Hill, and Howell Jones. Swansea's place-kicking, however, left a deal to be desired.

Trew scored a glorious try after "selling the dummy" in the second half, and himself added the extra points. Afterwards the visitors were completely overwhelmed, and the Swansea backs were constantly in action. Further tries were scored by Trew (2), Howell Jones, Hill and Davey, W. Davies converting one. Trew was brilliant at outside-half and his play was the feature of a one-sided match.

KEEN PLAY AT NEWPORT.

NEWPORT 6 Pts., CROSS KEYS 6.

Newport had a hard game at home with Cross Keys in fine weather, after a very wet morning. There were three thousand spectators. The opening stages were exciting, if rather unpolished. Neither side gave any quarter in their defensive methods. Vaughan scored wide out for the visitors after neat play by Probert and Davies. Newport tried handling on several occasions, but were very uncertain, and it was left to Everson to put the scores equal by kicking a penalty goal.

After the resumption, Salmon scored in a forward rush after a knock-on by Ralph. The Newport backs passed finely, but Lewis knocked-on with the line at his mercy. Ralph scored a splendid try, after an excellent run by Mountain.

COVENTRY'S HOME REVERSE.

COVENTRY 10 pts., BRIDGEND 16.

Bridgend provided the opposition at Coventry, where the weather was very wet. The home side started aggressively, but Williams gave Bridgend an early lead with a try. Towill failed to convert. For Coventry, Lole went over from a scrummage, Bonham adding the extra points. Though Coventry were the more dangerous side, they failed to score again, and just before the interval Harris crossed for a further try for Bridgend.

In the second half Richards, Towill, and Williams were seen in a fine combined movement, which ended in Towill scoring a try. D. G. Davies converted with an excellent kick. Richards added to the Bridgend total, D. G. Davies again improving. For Coventry, Ford went over under the post, Bonham adding the extra points.

GLOUCESTER'S WEAKNESS.

GLOUCESTER 0 pts., LYDNEY 0.

The ground at Gloucester, where Lydney were the visitors, was greasy in consequence of the rain. Both sides were at full strength. Play was mostly with the home side, but Lydney showed splendid dash in the loose. For a time Gloucester were hard pressed. At the interval there was no score. The back play on both sides was faulty.

The second half went in favour of Gloucester, but the home backs were very weak, and failed with many openings by faulty handling. Lydney continued to do well in the loose, but there was no finish. The game on the whole was very disappointing.

CARDIFF'S HOME DEFEAT.

HEAVY SCORE BY BRISTOL.

BRILLIANT PLAY.

CARDIFF 14 pts., BRISTOL 28.

One of the best matches of the day, that between Cardiff and Bristol, at Cardiff, provided many thrilling incidents for the 8,000 spectators. Cardiff scored a try through Isaacs, Osmond adding a second, which Fender converted. Bristol retaliated, brilliant passing resulting in Tucker scoring a try, Burland converting. Later, Sherman intercepted a pass and scored an unconverted try for Bristol. Near the interval John Roberts added an unconverted try for Cardiff.

Bristol demonstrated marked superiority in the second half, Barrington quickly adding a try, Hazell converting. Graham Jones replied with an unconverted try for Cardiff. Subsequently Burland, Moncrieffe and Barrington scored further tries for Bristol, each being converted by Hazell.

Nothing could have been more convincing than the decisive superiority of Bristol in all phases of play. They were, by far, better than Cardiff in the scrums and in the loose rushes, while their backs were always dangerous when in possession.

There was very little to choose between the two sides on the run of the game in the first half, but, after the change of ends, the play of Cardiff deteriorated deplorably, and for the most part they were at sixes and sevens. They paid the penalty of trying too many experiments in playing B. R. Turnbull at full-back and Frank Williams in the centre. Both players were obviously out of position, and had a bad match, especially Turnbull, who could do nothing right.

J. M. Barrington, the Bristol outside-half, had a real day out, and was easily the most brilliant player on the field. With youth in his favour he is a great asset to Bristol, and in due time may be seen playing for England. He hit off perfectly with C. B. Carter, the scrum half, who carried too many guns for Emlyn Jenkins, the Cardiff inside-half. In fairness to the latter and to B. Roberts, who played in the outside position, it should be stated that the Cardiff forwards were beaten for possession of the ball in four scrums out of every six.

Admirably led by J. S. Tucker, their captain, the Bristol vanguard was always in the ascendant, and it is a long time since a Cardiff pack was so badly beaten. T. W. Brown played his usual safe game at full back, and never put a wrong foot forward In the three-quarter line D. W. Burland was an outstanding player. He is a man of exceptionally fine physique, and knows how to use his pace and strength. When on the attack W. Moncrieffe, the right-centre, gave him excellent support. All the six tries scored resulted from clean, swift passing movements, which were spectacularly delightful to see.

Drastic changes are needed in the Cardiff pack and in the rear division, and the sooner the policy of team selection is left to a Match Committee and not to the whole of the General Committee the better it will be for the reputation of the club.

CHELTENHAM'S GOOD START.

CHELTENHAM 35 pts., TWICKENHAM 0.

With practically all the members of the team that retained their last season ground record available, Cheltenham's prospects are decidedly bright. Unfortunately for the opening game yesterday rain fell in torrents previous to the start, consequently the ground and ball were very heavy. Despite this some capital passing movements were carried out by the home backs.

Cheltenham opened the scoring through Gwynne Davies after some brilliant play in which all their backs handled, George Davies converting. Immediately after Gwynne Davies was again prominent with another effort, which resulted in an unconverted try. The Twickenham forwards played finely, but before the interval Cheltenham added further tries through Williams and Gwynne Davies, one being goaled by George Davies. On resuming Gwynne Davies beat man after man in marvellous fashion, and scored two more tries, George Davies goaling. Cheltenham continued to have matters all their own way, and further tries were added by Fellows, Vaughan, and Gwynne Davies, none being converted. Cheltenham thus won by 4 goals and 5 tries to nil.

EDGWARE'S FINE FORM.

EDGWARE 11 pts., ABERTILLERY 5.

Abertillery, the Welsh champions, met their match in Edgware, who won by a goal and two tries (11 points) to a goal (5 points). Play fluctuated from end to end throughout. Two minutes before the interval Howard dribbled over for Edgware and converted with a brilliant kick from touch. Five minutes after resuming Chappell crossed and O'Neill converted for the visitors. Murphy regained the lead from a five yards' scrum for Edgware, and following sustained pressure by Abertillery, Scully fielded a loose ball to sprint over for Edgware.

CLUB MATCHES.

Harlequins	0	Wasps	8
Bath	15	Bridgwater Albion	3
Burton-on-Trent	6	Rosslyn Park	7
Coventry	10	Bridgend	16
Cardiff	14	Bristol	28
Gloucester	0	Lydney	0
Leicester	20	Old Blues	0
Manchester	11	Headingley	21
Newport	6	Cross Keys	6
Plymouth A.	16	Exeter	3
Swansea	37	Pontardawe	0
Edgware	11	Abertillery	5
Aberavon	19	Broughton Ferry	3
Pontypool	13	Mountain Ash	0
Cheltenham	35	Twickenham	0
Blackwell	4	Coventry	15
Nottingham Casuals	15	Leicester O. Newtns.	0
Boots Athletic	5	Wigston	0
Sale	27	Bradford	0
Bramley O. B.	0	Burley	0
Brighouse Rangers	3	Leeds Salem	6
Baildon	18	Crossgates	0
Broughton Park	3	Halifax	3
Ilkley	3	Kendal	11
Harrogate O. B.	0	Roundhay	0
Yarnbury	19	York	5

RUGBY LEAGUE.

	Pts.		Pts.
Bradford Northern	7	Rochdale Hornets	18
Broughton Rangers	8	Barrow	8
Dewsbury	5	Batley	0
Featherstone Rovers	9	Halifax	12
Huddersfield	9	Castleford	5
Hull	0	Warrington	10
Hunslet	12	Bramley	9
Keighley	4	Leeds	13
Leigh	11	Hull Kingston Rovs.	0
St. Helens Rec.	2	Oldham	7
Swinton	12	St. Helens	3
Widnes	0	Salford	3
Wigan	3	Wigan Highfield	9
York	7	Wakefield Trinity	6

RUGBY TOURISTS' FINAL GAME.

BRITISH TEAM RALLY AND BEAT VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Saturday.

The British touring team won the last match on their Australasian tour to-day, beating Victoria by four placed goals, one penalty goal, and six tries (41 points) to six placed goals and two tries (36 points) Victoria led at half-time by 21 points to 17

Play throughout reached a high standard, the British backs, particularly Aarvold, giving a brilliant exhibition. The British pack won most of the scrums, and showed much better form than when they lost to New South Wales earlier in the week. The tackling on both sides was very determined.

A last-minute change was made in the British side, H. Poole. Cardiff, replacing R. S. Spong at stand-off half. Lord Stonehaven, Governor-General of Australia, and Lord Somers, Governor of Victoria, were among the large crowd.

Play was exciting from the beginning, and a strong forward rush resulted in Cowper scoring a try, which Beyers converted. A clever handling movement by the British three-quarters, however, soon put them level, Black converting a try by Jennings.

Fluctuating play followed. Choir put Victoria ahead with a try, which Beyers did not convert; Jones-Davies scored a try for Britain, Black failing to convert, while Sinclair went over, for Beyers to convert. Then a try by Novis, a penalty goal by Black, and another try by Murray, gave Britain the lead at 17—13.

Victoria played up spiritedly, and Sturtridge and McDuff added tries, Beyers converting one. Half-time arrived with Victoria leading by 21—17.

Britain went ahead on resuming, Aarvold scoring two splendid tries. Martindale converted the first. Victoria then attacked, but Jennings broke away and scored, Martindale again failing to convert. The British now had much the better of matters, and scored further tries through Black (Jennings converted), Jennings (Bonner converted), and Wilkinson.

Victoria made great efforts to get on terms, and Cowper, with a brilliant run, scored, for Beyers to convert. Just before the end McDuff, after cleverly tricking several opponents, again scored, for Beyers to convert.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

LONDON CLUB SIDES.

GAINS AND LOSSES REVIEWED.

STRONG OLD BOY FIFTEENS.

Most provincial Rugby clubs were engaged yesterday, but as the London season opens late, the following notes on the prospects of leading sides will be read with interest. In the issues of the SUNDAY TIMES for August 31 and September 7 the outlook for other clubs was reviewed at length.

The Old Alleynians are looking forward to a more successful season than they have had for some time. A. F. Heppenstall, recently elected captain of Kent, will again skipper the 1st XV., with E. C. P. Whiteley as vice-captain. Since last season two useful forwards A. E. S. Talbot and W. C. E. Wiseman, have gone abroad, and T. E. Priest, who gained a Trials cap two years ago, unfortunately will not always be available, but otherwise most of last season's players are expected to turn out again. Among the new players joining from the School much is expected of D. H. Frankford, who captained the English Public Schools v. Scotland last March: he is a centre, who, with more experience, should go far in the game and strengthen what has been one of the weak spots in the Old Alleynians for the past few seasons. Other new men from the School who should prove useful in time are G. E. Hyson, S. B. Sellick (forwards), A. S. Davies, S. T. Gray (three-quarters), and the two halves, Rutter and Reynolds.

Eight teams will be put into the field as usual every Saturday, while on occasions two extra fifteens will also turn out. With 200 playing members it is only lack of grounds that prevent more teams being run regularly. The fixture list is much the same as usual, but Frankfurt a/M are coming to London in December for the first time, when the Old Alleynians hope to make some return for the several visits made by them to Germany both before and since the war.

STRONGER WHITGIFTIANS XV.

The Old Whitgiftians R.F.C. is entering on its twenty-fifth playing season. The customary six teams will be augmented by a seventh, at least up to Christmas. The fixture list is of much the usual strength, and includes matches with the United Services of Portsmouth and Chatham, Royal Naval College (Greenwich), the Old Alleynians, Old Blues, Old Paulines, and many other of the Old Boy Clubs, and the Old Whitgiftians' local rivals, Streatham and Sutton. K. S. Bradshaw has resigned the captaincy, which he has held with much success for several seasons, and is succeeded by J. B. Hornby. G. F. Pullinger, the Surrey County forward, becomes vice-captain. It is hoped that P. W. P. Brook, last season's England wing-forward, will turn out in one or two matches at the beginning of the season, and that J. E. Cox, who deputised for Adamson at full-back for Oxford in one or two of the University's later games last season, will be available during vacations. With the exception of F. W. Crittenden, who has left England to take up a post in Nairobi, practically all the senior players of 1929-30 will be available, and especially in the scrum the Old Whitgiftians should be able to field a useful side. A new pavilion is in course of construction, and will probably be ready for use by Christmas.

CAGNEY'S RETURN.

London Irish are anticipating a very successful time. The club will be captained by W. R. F. Collis, the old International and Cambridge Blue. The return of S. J. Cagney, after a year's absence through injury, is particularly pleasing, and with I. M. B. Stuart and W. Morgan (a trial international) still available, the pack should be able to hold its own with any in London. W. S. Barry, a particularly useful scrum half, is vice-captain, and there will be no speedier wings in club football than P. A. Gummer and T. W. King, the Oxford Blue. The fixture list has been greatly strengthened, and includes the usual Christmas tour in Wales and an Irish tour at Easter. A notable feature is the visit of two Irish clubs to Motspur Park during the season. Dublin University are being entertained on November 15, and University College, Cork, on the morning of the England-Ireland match in February.

LLOYDS BANK'S HIGH HOPES.

Last season was the most successful from an all-round point of view that Lloyds Bank R.F.C. has ever had. The final record for all teams was:—Played, 145; won, 90; drawn, 6; lost 49; points for, 1,824; against, 1,095. There is every reason to hope that the forthcoming season will produce even better results. Six teams will be fielded every week, whilst as soon as October is over it is possible that one or even two more will be available. Very few members have been lost, and several new young players of very definite promise have joined the club The club will be particularly strong at full-back, where A. H. Judd, last season's first choice, will have to hold his place from H. G. Niblett, who played many excellent games for Dulwich College last year, and also R. Hale, who played many splendid games two seasons ago, and has now rejoined the club. Another good player returning to the club is T. Southe, who will probably be tried as hooker. Last season's experience was of the utmost value to two such promising forwards as M. C. R. White (Clifton) and E. C. Monkhouse (Emanuel), both of whom should make their marks in higher circles this year. White has already represented Kent. In addition, H. O. Christopherson, who was in the Cheltenham second XV. two years ago, shows excellent promise as a back row forward. All the other members of last season's pack are available. Of the backs, R. L. Elvis, who is considered to be the finest outside half in Bank football, and has played for Kent, F. J. Hodges, a fine dashing three-quarter with plenty of weight, J. H Jones, and V. G. Jones can all be written down as more or less certainties for places in the side.

New backs available include, in addition to Niblett, G. Crimp (Emanuel), a very fast and clever wing, R. Bolton (K.C.S. Wimbledon), and J. B. Sturgeon, who last season played some fine games for Lichfield. Last season's A XV. three-quarters and halves are also all available, and one or two of them may well gain a place the senior XV. before many weeks have passed. H. G. Parr will skipper the side for the third successive year, and will have as his vice R. L. Elvis.

The secretaryship is once more in the hands of R. F. E. Whittaker, who has now many years of experience and service in the post. A pleasant feature is the number of ex-first team players who have accepted captaincies and vice-captaincies of junior teams in order that their experience and advice may not be lost to the club. There is great keenness and a fine spirit throughout the whole club. Among the chief fixtures, which commence on September 27, are those with Bank of England, Westminster Bank, Midland Bank, Catford Bridge, Royal Military Academy, Royal Naval College, U.S. (Chatham), Lensbury, Sutton, etc.

Although the Polytechnic R.F.C. cannot boast of the length of time it has been in existence, it is satisfactory to note that at the end of the club's third season four XV.s and on occasional fifth were being fielded every week. This season it is hoped to have a sixth in the field. A trial game will be held at Preston Road near Harrow, next Saturday. There are still a few vacancies, preferably for players with previous experience. It is much regretted that W. G. J. Fuller, who has ably captained the first XV. since the club started, has resigned his captaincy on account of his age. However, he will no doubt be helping on some of the lower teams. This season's fixture list is definitely stronger than that of last season, particularly for the lower teams. Several Old Boys sides appear on the first XV. list, including Old Elthamians, Brockleians, Colfeians, and Hurst Johnians. Amongst other fixtures there are games with Richmond A, Guy's Hospital A, Norwich, and Dorking. It is to be hoped that the coming season will be as successful as the preceding.

EXETER FAIL TO KEEP A LEAD.

PLYMOUTH ALBION 16 pts., EXETER 3.

Exeter gave a good show at Plymouth against the Albion in stormy weather, before two thousand spectators. The visitors played strongly against their heavier opponents, their marking and tackling being exceptionally keen. The Albion's backs seldom got going, but towards the interval exerted heavy pressure, Turner saving finely, while Arscott played very soundly for Exeter. A minute before the interval Matthews scored a try for Exeter.

The Albion resumed strongly, the game being fought out very keenly. After sixteen minutes Cox put the Albion on level terms with a try which was not converted, Lewis scoring a second following a forward rush, and Mills a third which Stanbury converted. Rees added a last try, Stanbury again converting.

MOTOR CYCLING.

HIGH SPEEDS IN HEAVY RAIN.

BROOKLANDS MEETING ABANDONED.

An interesting day of racing was promised at Brooklands yesterday, when the seventh members' meeting of the British Motor Cycle Racing Club was held.

The programme should have consisted of five 200-miles races. Owing to the heavy rain the committee decided that the wet track would be unsafe The meeting for the day was therefore abandoned after three events had been held.

Following the recent fatal accident, special precautions were taken to keep competitors well within the bounds of the safety line, and the stewards made a point of seeing that the instructions to drivers in connection with safe riding were strictly observed.

The first race, that for two-stroke machines of 175 c.c., attracted five starters. The winner was T. G. Meeten (Francis-Barnet-Villiers), who finished in 3 hr. 42 min. 55 sec. His speed was 54.36 miles per hour. The second place was taken by G. E. Horsman (Zenith Villiers), whose time was 3 hr. 44 min. 59 sec.

In the second race, that for 250 c.c. machines, there were six starters, and first place was taken by C. S. Staniland, riding a Rex-Acme-Blackburne machine. He finished the course in 2 hr. 35 min. 20 sec., his speed being 78.02 miles per hour. He was followed by L. J. Archer (New Imperial), whose time was 2 hr. 47 min. 26 sec.

Ten machines started in the race for 350 c.c. class. One retirement which upset many calculations was that of A. N. Judd in the 46th lap. Judd was lying third at the end of the 36th lap, and was improving his position as the race progressed. This event was won by J. A. Baker (A.J.S.), whose speed was 91.58 miles per hour, his time being 2 hr. 12 min. 18 sec.

When this race was in progress rain fell heavily, and the track became treacherous.

CLASS FOR 175 C.C. MACHINES.—T. G. Meeten, 172 c.c. Francis-Barnet-Villiers, 3 hr. 42 min. 55 sec., 1; G. C. Horsman, 172 c.c. Zenith-Villiers, 3 hr. 44 min. 59 sec., 2; L. P. Driscoll (Driver J. King), 172 c.c. Zenith-Villiers, 3 hr. 54 min. 1 sec. (exceeded time-limit of 3 hr. 52 min.). Winner's speed, 54.36 m.p.h.; second man, 53.87 m.p.h. Two other starters retired.

CLASS A (up to 250 c.c.).—J. S. Worters (Driver C. S. Staniland), 248 c.c. Rex-Acme-Blackburne, 2 hr. 35 min. 20 sec., 1; L. J. Archer, 246 c.c. New Imperial, 2 hr. 47 min. 26 sec., 2. Winner's speed, 78.02 m.p.h.; second man, 72.38 m.p.h. Four other starters retired.

CLASS B (up to 350 c.c.).—R. M. N. Spring (Driver J. A. Baker), 346 c.c. A.J.S., 2 hr. 12 min. 18 sec., finished alone. Speed, 91.58 m.p.h. Nine other starters retired. H. G. Birch, 348 c.c. Chater-Lea, finished, but was not inside the time-limit of 3 hr. 1 min.

A BRILLIANT FULL-BACK.

BATH 15 pts., BRIDGWATER ALBION 3.

Bath had another hard game, this time at home, when they entertained Bridgwater Albion. A crowd of 2,500 saw a scrappy first half. Watson intercepted a pass from Bateson and kicked over Moon's head to score a good try for Bridgwater, Swayne failing with the kick. Banks equalised with an unconverted try, but the Bridgwater forwards made things hot for Bath, who had the worst of the tight scrums.

The visitors continued to be dangerous in the second half, but Bath secured the lead when Wardle scored a try from half way, Weeks converting from the touch-line. Spence added another try and Banks dropped a good goal. Moon played brilliantly at full-back for the winners, and Snook and Swayne stood out in the visitors' side.

The Rugby League match, Wigan Highfield v. Leigh, fixed for September 17, has been postponed until January 1.

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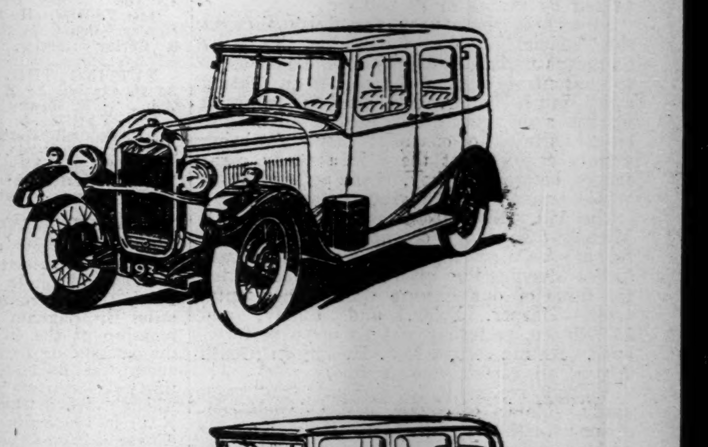

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Athletics.

L.A.C. WIN AT STAMFORD BRIDGE.

A PROMISING HURDLER—SURREY WIN NEVILL CUP.

LONDON WOMEN BEAT BERLIN.

By H. M. ABRAHAMS.

The London Athletic Club had provided what promised to be a most interesting two hours' programme to wind up the 1930 track season at Stamford Bridge yesterday. We hoped to see R. H. Thomas (fresh from his magnificent running in Canada and the States) eclipse A. G. Hill's nine-year-old British record for the three-quarter mile; we hoped to see the South African "stars," H. G. Davies, W. B. Legge, and H. Hart in action, together with a dozen or more of our Empire Games representatives. But the usual and now almost proverbial L.A.C. luck intervened, and the meeting proved a veritable "wash-out."

Rain fell almost incessantly throughout the proceedings until five minutes after the last race had finished, when the sun shone. What a miserable ending to the 1930 season! Indeed, when I looked at the track half-way through the programme and noted the fast time scheduled for Thomas to make his record attempt, I thought not of the end of track activities, but of the beginning of cross-country. That was what the track looked like.

On arriving at the ground at 2.45 we found perhaps 100 people waiting outside in the pouring rain, and, as the cinder path was in such an appalling condition, with pools of water all round, there was considerable doubt whether there would be a meeting at all. At 3.10, however, three stalwarts, coerced and cajoled by "Jimmy" Tremeer, faced the starter for the half-mile—the first event on the programme and one of the ten events in a quadrangular match between the promoting club, the Polytechnic Harriers, Blackheath Harriers, and Surrey Athletic Club. Before the runners had covered a half lap they were covered from head to foot with mud, and they ambled round for about 750 yards and then sprinted the last 100 yards, D. O. Edwards winning from C. J. R. Woods in 2 min. 9 1-5 sec.

The next event (the 440 yards relay) provided a good race until London took over the baton for the Poly, and he walked away. Blackheath just beat the L.A.C. for second place nearly ten yards behind the winners.

Surrey Win "Nevill" Cup.

The one and a-half miles relay followed. After a not surprising delay in whipping up the competitors from a comparatively friendly dressing-room to a miserable arena, five teams started. The first stage was over three-quarter mile, and J. R. Langridge gave Surrey a four yards' lead in 3 min. 17 4-5 sec., Poly being second and Roath third. The order was unchanged after the half mile stage, but Surrey had a lead of nearly four seconds. Poly. managed to reduce this somewhat over the last two stages of 300 and 140 yards respectively, but Surrey won in 6 min. 12 3-5 sec., Poly. returning 6 min. 14 3-5 sec., and Roath 6 min. 21 sec.

The three miles followed, and by the time a dozen or more runners had traversed the track a dozen times apiece, all hope of Thomas doing a record (except possibly a record swim) had vanished. A good deal of the track was scattered over the competitors, and what was left of it looked like a quagmire. Consequently, Thomas very wisely refrained from what would have been a futile attempt, and we must postpone the pleasure of watching him accomplish what I regard as a dead certainty, given respectable weather conditions.

G. C. Constable led from start to finish in the three miles, though W. V. Clift's effort over the last half-mile was gallant, and pleased the meagre and somewhat depressed crowd.

A Promising Hurdler.

None of the three South Africans down on the programme materialised in the 100 yards scratch race, which was another disappointment. We did, however, have a good race between London and young Page. London was very quickly out of his holes, and had a couple of feet in hand at fifty. Page was going up very fast after this, and was just beaten by inches in 10 1-10 sec.

Several of those near the finish thought the "official" verdict wrong; but this is by no means uncommon. At any rate, Page wants to concentrate during the winter on getting away much better, and also on polishing up his action generally. At present his body sways quite out of control. I am not being unduly critical—but there is a really great future before this boy, if he will give his mind to studying detail.

The 120 yards hurdles showed that E. D. Michell (the Navy champion) is going to be a hurdler of the first flight in a year or two. Twice during the afternoon he encountered three of our Empire Games representatives, Harper, Finlay, and Finlay, and 15 7-10 sec. yesterday was no mean performance. He ran second to J. H. Viljoen (South Africa) in the invitation race.

Viljoen returned 15 1-5 sec., and won easily. He is, of course, under decent conditions, in the 15 sec. class. R. H. Thomas ambled round a mile in outside 4 min. 40 sec. to finish a disappointing afternoon's sport, watched at its watery end by just ten weight putters, two judges, and just one solitary spectator.

RESULTS.

MATCH EVENTS.

440 YARDS.—W. Daws (Poly.), 1; C. C. Vargas (L.A.C.), 2; E. D. Harper (Poly.), 3.

880 YARDS.—D. O. Edwards (L.A.C.), 1; C. J. R. Woods (Blackheath), 2; J. A. H. Sutherland (L.A.C.), 3. Time, 2 min. 9 1-5 sec.

ONE MILE.—R. H. Thomas (Surrey), 1; G. Brown (Surrey), 2; W. G. Harper (Poly.), 3.

THREE MILES.—G. C. Constable (Surrey), 1; W. V. Clift (Surrey), 2; J. A. Norris (Poly.), 3.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—E. D. Michell (L.A.C.), 1; G. Finlay (Surrey), 2. Time, 15 7-10 sec.

LONG JUMP.—R. J. Cohen (L.A.C.), 21 ft. 10¼ in., 1; A. Foley (Surrey), 20 ft. 0¼ in., 2; F. Watson (L.A.C.), 19 ft. 7 in., 3.

HIGH JUMP.—A. J. Gray (Poly.), 5 ft. 5 in., 1; F. Watson (L.A.C.), 2; A. N. Other (L.A.C.), 3.

WEIGHT.—F. Foley (Surrey), 1; A. J. Gray (Poly.), 2; ... (L.A.C.), 3.

440 YARDS RELAY.—Polytechnic (W. J. Simmons, J. F. Rice, F. L. Stagwell, J. E. London), 1; Blackheath Harriers, 2; London Athletic Club, 3. Time, 44 ... sec.

ONE-AND-A-HALF MILES RELAY.—Polytechnic Harriers ... Surrey, F. L. ... London Athletic Club, 2; Blackheath Harriers, 3.

POINTS TABLE.

	L.A.C.	Poly.	Surrey.	Bl'kh'th.
Firsts	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Seconds	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Thirds	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fourths	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Fifths	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sixths	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Points	67	48	43	16

OTHER EVENTS.

100 YARDS.—J. E. London (Poly.), 1; E. L. Page (Blackheath), 2; W. J. Simmons (Poly.), 3. Time, 10 1-10 sec.

120 YARDS HURDLES.—J. H. Viljoen (South African Empire Team), 1; E. D. Michell (L.A.C.), 2. Time, 15 1-5 sec.

150 YARDS "LOTINGA" CUP HANDICAP (open to L.A.C. members of ... years of standing).—... (7 yrs.), 1; ... (9 yrs.), 2; Peter Thorpe, ... Dixon (5 yrs.), 3. Time, 17 1-5 sec.

RELAY FOR "NEVILL" CUP (1,320, 880, 300, and 140 yards).—Surrey A.C. (J. R. Langridge, ... Watts), 1; Polytechnic Harriers, 2; Roath (Cardiff Harriers), 3. Time, 6 min. 12 3-5 sec.

INTER-CITY MATCH.

BRITISH DEFEAT AVENGED.

London girl athletes triumphed over the German girls in an inter-city contest at Berlin yesterday, and avenged Great Britain's defeat at the Prague Olympiad last week by beating Berlin in an athletic contest by 47 points to 40. The English girls won all the track events except the 100 metres.

The contest was decided under wet and gloomy conditions, and the second part of the programme was conducted in semi-darkness. Four Japanese girls competed, but their achievements did not count in the awarding of points for the inter-city contest. Results:—

THROWING THE DISCUS.—Fraulein Meider (Berlin), 37.65 metres, 1; Fraulein Henoch (Berlin), 34.33 metres, 2; Miss Hitomi (Tokio), 32.30 metres, 3; Miss Weston (London), 31.25 metres, 4; Miss Tone (London), 30.20 metres, 5.

HIGH JUMP.—Fraulein Braumueller (Berlin), 1.50 metres, 1; Miss Webb (London), 1.45 metres, 2; Miss Hamazaki (Tokio), 1.39 metres, 3.

100 METRES.—Miss Hitomi (Tokio), 12.4 sec., 1; Fraulein Wittmann (Berlin), 2; Miss Scott (London), 3.

80 METRES HURDLES.—Mrs. Cornell (London), 13.1 sec., 1; Fraulein Riesch (Berlin), 2; Fraulien Hargus (Berlin), 3.

PUTTING THE SHOT.—Fraulein Braumueller (Berlin), 12.26 metres, 1; Miss Weston (England), 10.8 metres, 2; Fraulein Henoch (Berlin), 10.3 metres, 3; Miss Tone (London), 4.

200 METRES.—Miss Walker (London), 25.5 sec., 1; Miss Latham (London), 26.1 sec., 2; Fraulein Wittmann (Berlin), 26.5 sec., 3.

LONG JUMP.—Miss Hitomi (Tokio), 5.56 metres, 1; Mrs. Cornell (London), 5.53 metres, 2; Fraulein Witkowski (Berlin), 3.

800 METRES.—Miss Christmas (London), 2 min. 20.6 sec., 1; Fraulein Selle (Berlin), 2 min. 26 sec., 2; Miss Tone (London), 2 min. 28.4 sec., 3.

JAVELIN.—Fraulein Braumueller (Berlin), 39.62 metres, 1; Fraulein Lattemann (Berlin), 35.91 metres, 2; Miss Hitomi (Tokio), 3; Miss Weston (London), 26.24 metres, 4.

400 METRES RELAY.—London, 49.3 sec., 1; Tokio, 53.2 sec., 2; Berlin, 54.2 sec., 3.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

INTER-COUNTY MATCH.

HERTFORDSHIRE'S SUCCESS.

Several prominent athletes were engaged in a triangular inter-county match at Luton yesterday, and heavy rain prevented fast performances. Points were scored for the first four places in each of thirteen events, and Hertfordshire finished on top with a total of 60½ points, Bedfordshire aggregating 54 points, and Buckinghamshire 29.

S. A. Tomlin, the Highgate Harrier, who won the three miles race in the Empire Games meeting in Canada last month, represented Hertfordshire in two events, and won the mile in 4 min. 29 sec., and was second to A. F. Furze, another Hertfordshire runner, in the three miles race. Hertfordshire were also well served by H. S. Townend, the Oxford University Blue, who won the half-mile in 2 min. 6 sec. and the quarter-mile in 53 2-5 sec.; while F. R. Warren, in the 100 yards, and D. R. Bell, in the shot-putting contest, were other winners for the successful county.

Bedfordshire's strength lay in the field events, for F. A. M. Webster, the well-known authority on this class of athletics, won the discus-throwing event, in which the A.A.A. ex-champion, J. Dalrymple, was second, and was successful in the pole vault. G. H. Webster led three Bedfordshire men home in the two miles walk, and S. R. D. Southgate won the 220 yards race for the home county.

ONE MILE.—S. A. Tomlin (Herts), 1; H. Phillips (Bucks), 2; G. Woodham (Beds), 3. 5 yds. Time, 4 min. 29 sec.

THROWING THE DISCUS.—F. A. M. Webster (Beds), 108 ft. 10 in., 1; W. A. Cock (Herts), 107 ft. 1 in., 2; D. R. Bell (Herts), 102 ft. 3 in., 3.

LONG JUMP.—R. B. Braybrooke (Bucks), 20 ft. 9½ in., 1; P. Moll (Beds), 20 ft. 5 in., 2; C. L. Ricketts (Herts), 20 ft. 4 in., 3.

100 YARDS.—F. R. Warren (Herts), 1; F. Mawby (Bucks), 2; S. R. D. Southgate (Beds), 3. Time, 11 sec.

THROWING THE HAMMER.—J. Dalrymple (Beds), 101 ft., 1; ... (Beds), 2; E. T. Pennicott (Herts), 3.

880 YARDS.—H. S. Townend (Herts), 1; A. J. Collyer (Herts), 2; F. Wright (Bucks), 3. 10 yds. Time, 2 min. 6 sec.

POLE VAULT.—H. G. Young (Beds), 10 ft., 1; F. A. M. Webster (Beds), 2; ... (Herts), 3.

THROWING THE JAVELIN.—J. Dalrymple (Beds), 133 ft. 1 in., 1; R. W. Collins (Herts), 130 ft. 3 in., 2; F. A. M. Webster (Beds), 123 ft., 3.

TWO MILES WALK.—G. H. Webster (Beds), 1; H. A. Ware (Beds), 2; H. A. Kilby (Beds), 3. 15 yds. Time, 16 min. 5 sec.

440 YARDS.—H. S. Townend (Herts), 1; E. J. Henley (Beds), 2; S. E. Binfield (Bucks) and A. R. Corley (Herts), equal 3. 2 yds. Time, 53 2-5 sec.

PUTTING THE SHOT.—D. R. Bell (Herts), 35 ft. 8½ in., 1; E. T. Pennicott (Herts), 32 ft. 7 in., 2; F. Mawby (Bucks), 29 ft. 6 in., 3.

220 YARDS.—S. R. D. Southgate (Beds), 1; W. F. Gunnell (Herts), 2; J. A. Williams (Bucks), 3. 10 yds.; 5 yds. Time, 25 1-5 sec.

THREE MILES.—A. F. Furze (Herts), 1; S. A. Tomlin (Herts), 2; G. E. Dowson (Herts), 3. Easily. Time, 15 min. 48 4-5 sec.

WOOD WINS MIDLAND TITLE.

Twelve cycling and athletic clubs in the Midlands combined to hold a sports meeting as a grand finale to the 1930 flat season at Perry Barr, Birmingham, when the twenty-five miles Birmingham and Midland Centre Championship of the National Cyclists' Union was the outstanding event. Owing to heavy rain the going was difficult, but half a dozen of the thirty-six starters fought out a good finish, which ended in favour of S. S. Wood (Walsall R.C.) in 1 h. 3 min. 32 1-5 sec. F. E. Pollinton (Rover R.C.) was second, a length behind, with C. Holland (M.C. and A.C.) third.

The half-mile championship of the Wyndham R.C.C. was won by E. E. Wragg in 1 min. 13 1-5 sec., W. E. Pearsall beating W. A. H. Bailey for second place; while in other events good victories were registered by W. P. Abell (Denby and Co. A.C.) in the javelin throwing with 149 ft. 4 in., and by J. Stockall (Sparkhill H.), who was on the limit of 185 yards in the mile handicap, and who kept in front to win the event.

HAMPTON ATHLETIC SPORTS.

Hampton Athletic Sports, in aid of local charities, attracted a large number of entries for the many open events, but the meeting was marred by heavy rainfall. In spite of the bad going, the times were good, and the finishes close. H. W. Luxton (Ponders End A.C.) finished first in the open furlong handicap, off the 18 yards mark, in 22 1-5 sec., and was runner-up to A. W. G. Franklin (Highgate H.) (8½ yards) in the 100 yards, the winner's time being 10 1-5 sec.

H. D. Oclee (Cestreham A.C.) took the open mile handicap with a start of 118 yards in 4 min. 25 sec., while the half-mile went to B. M. Lidgett (Polytechnic Harriers), off the 74 yards mark, in 1 min. 58 sec. Enfield A.C. secured the mile open relay in 3 min. 44 4-5 sec., Cambridge Harriers being second and Slough A.C. third. The ladies' relay was won by Middlesex L.A.C., after London Olympiades were disqualified owing to an infringement during one of the changes over.

W. N. Cowley (Surrey A.C.), the former A.A.A. champion, and a local man, was back marker in the 2 miles walk, and finished second to W Barnes (Kingston Y.M.C.).

METROPOLITAN WALKING CLUB.

The tenth and last race of the season for the "C. R. Butcher" Points Cup amongst members of the Metropolitan Walking Club was decided in heavy rain over a course of five and a-half miles at Highgate. The winner of the handicap was F Redman (2 min. 30 sec. start), D. Callow (7 min. 30 sec.) being second, and F J. Howe (7 min. 15 sec.) third.

The winner of the Cup was G. C. Parry, who, although he was a non-starter in yesterday's race, had compiled sixty points in nine of the ten contests, and his nearest rivals failed to exceed that total. A. Westcott, who finished fourth in the last race, was the runner-up with 57 points, and F. J. Howe was next with 56 points. H. H. Whitlock, who won the Cup last year, competed in only one race.

The first six in the handicap were:—F. Redman (2 min. 30 sec.), 46 min. 5 sec., 1; D. Callew (7 min. 30 sec.), 47 min. 40 sec, 2; F. J. Howe (7 min. 15 sec.), 48 min. 5 sec., 3; A. B. Westcott (7 min.), 48 min. 21 sec., 4; H. H. Whitlock (scratch), 48 min. 35 sec., 5; W. Smith (6 min.), 49 min. 25 sec., 6.

LONDON-BRIGHTON WALK.

ANOTHER WIN FOR GREEN.

ROSS'S RECORD BEATEN.

The last important road event of a highly successful athletic season was decided yesterday when the Surrey Walking Club brought off their London to Brighton walk for the Victory Cup.

Despite the appearance of several foreign competitors, T. W. Green (Belgrave Harriers) justified the confidence placed in him by his many supporters, and followed up his victory of last year by winning in the record time of 8 hr. 2 min. 55 sec., which beat H. V. L. Ross's record of 8 hr. 7 min. 14 sec., made in September, 1909.

The entry of 122 was the second largest entry since the competition was inaugurated in 1906. Old men and young men, wearing the colours of the most famous walking clubs of England and Europe, were included in the multi-coloured crowd which suddenly appeared at Westminster from nowhere five minutes before seven o'clock.

The arrival of Sir Harry J. Barclay, the referee, and Mr. W. G. Mead, the president of the Surrey Walking Club and starter of the race, caused a transformation among the knots of people. Overcoats were quickly discarded, and the walkers appeared.

The competitors for yesterday's race came from all parts of the country, and included three from Italy, two from France, and one from Australia.

Starting from Westminster.

The men lined up at the foot of Westminster Bridge and were sent on their way at 7 a.m., the first stroke of the hour by Big Ben being the signal to go. A. W. Green, of the Belgrave Harriers, who won last year in 8 hr. 15 min. 41 sec., the fastest time ever recorded in the race, and only 4 min. 27 sec. outside the record for the course, was in the crowd, and was fancied to repeat the performance. Other notable competitors were the Italians, D. Pavesi, who won the race in 1921, C. Giana, winner in 1927, and M. Brignoli. F. Poynton, Leicester Harriers, winner in 1923, and the two veterans, E. C. Horton, who won in 1922, and H. V. L. Ross, who in 1909 set up the record for the journey of 8 hr. 7 min. 14 sec., were also starters.

C. Kirkland, Derby, and G. H. Watts, the A.A.A. two mile ex-champion, were first over the Bridge, but at Kennington Gate the Italian Brignoli took command. He soon gave way to G. H. Ludlow, Derby. The lattter was travelling at a fast pace, and led at Streatham Common by 50 sec. from Brignoli, the leader's time being 52 min. 47 sec. T. W. Green was third at this point, his time being 55 min. 44 sec. Next in order came R. S. Vidofsky (Derby), and R. Desgranges (France).

Ludlow Leading at Croydon.

At the Swan and Sugarloaf, Croydon, ten miles from the start, J. H. Ludlow had gone further ahead. His time was 1 hr. 28 min. 15 sec. Next came M. Brignoli (Sport Club Italia) in 1 hr. 31 min. 15 sec.; T. W. Green (Belgrave H.); A. Tenot (Les Marcheurs Francais); R. S. Vidofsky (Derby W.C.), R. Desgranges (Les Marcheurs Francais); C. Kirkland (Derby W.C.); H. V. L. Ross (Herne Hill H.); F. Poynton (Derby W.C.).

The leaders at Redhill were:—J. H. Ludlow (Derby W.C.), 3 hr. 1 min. 59 sec.; T. W. Green (Belgrave H.), 3 hr. 3 min. 11 sec.; M. Brignoli (Sports Club Italia), 3 hr. 5 min. 16 sec.; A. Tenot (Les Marcheurs Francais), 3 hr. 5 min. 21 sec.; R. S. Vidofsky (Derby W.C.), 3 hr. 8 min. 11 sec.; F. Poynton (Derby W.C.), 3 hr. 9 min. 8 sec.; C. Kirkland (Derby W.C.), 3 hr. 10 min. 20 sec.

Green in Front at Crawley.

Between Redhill and Crawley, Green improved his position, and when the men were timed at Crawley the leaders were: T. W. Green, 4 hr. 29 min. 17 sec., 1; J. H. Ludlow, 4 hr. 36 min. 5 sec., 2; M. Brignoli, 4 hr. 42 min. 17 sec., 3; A. Tenot, 4 hr. 46 min 29 sec., 4; R. Vidofsky, 5; C. Kirkland, 6. At this stage Green had beaten the record by 11 sec. Ross, the record holder, retired at this period.

There was no change in the leading positions in the course of the next forty minutes' walk, and when the leaders were timed at Handcross the times were: T. W. Green, 5 hrs. 11 min. 55 sec., 1; J. H. Ludlow, 5 hr. 20 min. 55 sec., 2; M. Brignoli, 5 hr. 31 min. 43 sec., 3; A. Tenot, 5 hr. 34 min. 45 sec., 4; C. Kirkland, 5 hr. 35 min. 56 sec., 5; R. Vidofsky, 5 hr. 36 min. 2 sec., 6.

In the final stretch Green continued to increase his lead, and in the end he finished at the Aquarium, Brighton, in the record time of 8 h. 2 min. 55 sec., thus lowering Ross's record of 8 h. 11 min. 14 sec. made twenty-one years ago. In addition to winning the trophy, Green also takes a special gold medal. The winner's brilliant victory is all the more creditable on account of the wretched weather which prevailed during the later stage of the walk. Rain fell heavily, and Green finished an unenviable task in a torrential downpour which had the effect of keeping only the most enthusiastic from witnessing the finish.

The order of the leaders at the finish was as under:—

	Hrs.	Min.	Sec.
T. W. GREEN (Belgrave H.)	8	2	55
J. H. LUDLOW (Derby W.C.)	8	26	35
M. BRIGNOLI (Sports Club Italia)	8	36	28
C. KIRKLAND (Derby W.C.)	8	48	20
A. TENOT (France)	8	49	21
R. DESGRANGES (France)	8	49	30
R. S. VIDOFSKY (Derby W.C.)	8	51	25
F. A. HAMMOND (Surrey W.C.)	8	51	33
D. GUM (Essex Beagles)	8	52	55
F. A. BENNETT (Surrey W.C.)	8	57	32
A. D. McSWEENEY (Highgate H.)	9	2	42
F. RICKARDS (Belgrave H.)	9	3	45
G. E. NASH (Birmingham W.C.)	9	8	34
F. R. SCOTT (Surrey W.C.)	9	8	42
R. S. BASSETT (Surrey A.C.)	9	9	20
E. V. GOFF (Ashcombe A.C. and Centurions)	9	10	9
F. SMITH (Birmingham W.C.)	9	10	40
G. H. WATTS (Herne Hill H.)	9	10	52
C. HILL (Birmingham W.C.)	9	12	10
P. W. COLLIER (London Vidarians)	9	12	38

The team placings were: Surrey W.C.—5, 7, 10, 14=36; Birmingham W.C.—9, 13, 15, 18=55; Belgrave H.—1, 8, 21, 26=56.

E. C. Horton (Surrey W.C.), winner of the race in 1922 and the holder of the world's twelve hours' record, won the veteran's prize by finishing twenty-second in 9 hr. 12 min. 38 sec.

Nearly eighty walkers finished within twelve hours of the start.

Green wins the Belgrave Cup, and the Dithy Cup for the first Surrey W.C. member to finish was secured by F. A. Hammond, who was eighth.

HERNE HILL MEETING ABANDONED.

The "End of the Season" Cycling meeting arranged yesterday at Herne Hill by the Southern Counties Cycling Union, had to be abandoned owing to the continuous rain. One event, however, the London tandem championship, was postponed and will be decided in connection with the K.K.K. (King's College Karnival) meeting in a fortnight's time.

GLOUBURN TO SYDNEY RACE.

SYDNEY, Saturday.

Although H. Opperman, the famous Australian cyclist, had the fastest time in the annual professional Glouburn-to-Sydney cycling race to-day, he started from scratch, conceding a big start, and failed to get into the first three, the race being won by G Hird, with L. Petrie second and V oRutley third. The amateur event was won by F. Burley, with A. Huntley second and J. Freeman third.—*Reuter's Special Service.*

LACROSSE.

Lacrosse opened in the West of England yesterday with two heavy scoring League games. Clifton North, at home to Wills, won by 13 goals to 8, and Keynsham scored an away victory over Old Fairfieldians by 15—4.

WEST OF ENGLAND CENTRE.

Clifton North	13	Wills	8
Old Fairfieldians	4	Keynsham	15

ANGLING.

SPORT IN RIVER, BROAD, AND SEA.

Rivers yesterday were running freshed in a number of directions because of the rains, but in other parts were still in need of a good downpour. More colour would be of benefit, as the water is clear and roach are shy, but here and there, particularly in the evening, some anglers have had good baskets of those fish. Some nice roach have been taken in the Thames, Colne, Lea, Avon, Stour (Hampshire), Arun, Ouse, Great Ouse, and Thurse (Norfolk). In addition to roach the Thames has yielded dace, perch, chub, and barbel.

Excellent sport with bream is reported from the Norfolk and Suffolk Broads, baskets of between 30 lb. and 70 lb. being made, while on Barton Broad two anglers have caught 300 roach and rudd and a 4 lb. tench. A perch of 2¼ lb. has been landed at Ormesby Broad.

In the Trent, near Nottingham, a 30 lb. catch of roach has been made.

Boat anglers have found sport good in salt water, and large numbers of pollack (some of 12 lb. each), mackerel, and other fish have been had on the Cornish coast. Bass up to 10 lb. has been taken there also. A cod of 24 lb. has been captured at Filey (Yorkshire).

YACHTING.

TAMESIS WINS THAMES CHAMPIONSHIP.

INTER-CLUB RACING.

From our YACHTING CORRESPONDENT

The third and final inter-club team contest between the Surbiton branch of the Minima Yacht Club and the Tamesis Club, sailed in dinghies for the Thames Championship Burgee took place yesterday at Teddington. The Thames Sailing Club, who were eligible to compete in the contest, were unable to raise a team. The Tamesis Club was represented by Messrs. T. Lavender's Tyne, Mr. C. Zoeller's Miladi, Dr. Smith's Emma, Mr. Morris's Clover, and Mr. H. E. C. Rayner's Pixy, while the Minima representatives were Mr. F. Sisson's Joy, Mr. R. Atkin's Papyrus, Mr. Langdon Down's Coué, and Mr. F. E. Graham's Vamoosa.

The fleet were sent off to a good start at 4.30 p.m., being called upon to sail three rounds of the usual course in Teddington reach. Clover, a boat from the Broads, which was making its first appearance on the Thames, took the lead early in the race, and led the fleet home over three minutes ahead of Pixy, which had worked into second place on the final circuit. At the finish the home club held the first, second, seventh, eighth, and ninth places, thus winning with 27 points against the Minima's 28 points. The official times were:—

Tamesis Club.—Clover (1), 5 h. 19 min. 2 sec.; Pixy (2), 5 h. 22 min. 10 sec.; Miladi (7), 5 h. 45 min. 22 sec.; Tyne (8), 5 h. 45 min. 22 sec.; Emma (9), 5 h. 55 min. 6 sec.

Minima Yacht Club.—Vamoosa (3), 5 h. 23 min. 16 sec.; Coué (4), 5 h. 25 min. 50 sec.; Papyrus (5), 5 h. 35 min. 46 sec.; Joy (6), 5 h. 38 min. 10 sec.; Dawn (10), 5 h. 58 min. 21 sec.

As the result of the two previous contests the Tamesis Club held a lead of three points.

THAMES SAILING CLUB.

Another match for club prizes for the A Class boats was sailed at the headquarters of the Thames Sailing Club at Surbiton. There were six starters at 4.30 p.m., and they were set to sail six rounds of the course in the Waterworks reach in a light south-westerly breeze. Kingfisher was again best suited to the conditions and led home, to score an easy win from Caprice, as will be seen by the following corrected times:—

Kingfisher (Mr. T. L. Turketine), 5 hr. 41 min. 53 sec; Caprice (Mr. F. Spriggs), 5 hr. 44 min. 41 sec.; Viva (Mr. F. Sigrist), 5 hr. 45 min. 53 sec.; Carina (Mr. W. R. Preston), 5 hr. 46 min. 11 sec.; Surf (Mr. R. Bond), 5 hr. 47 min. 50 sec; Estelle (Mr. J. Strickland), 5 hr. 54 min. 2 sec.

TWICKENHAM YACHT CLUB.

A combined handicap and match for the B.R.A. 12-footers took place over three rounds of the Twickenham course, starting at 10.30 a.m. Of the fourteen starters B.R.A. 16 was disqualified, B.R.A. 3 capsized, and Minnow and Snowden retired. Another good finish saw the handicap officially timed as follows:—

Bessie D (Mr. M Vines), 11 h. 8 min.; 4 J's (Col. Homfray), 11 h. 9 m.; B.R.A. 2 (Mr. C. Adams), 11 h. 9 min. 40 sec.; B.R.A. 14 (Mr. F. Bubb), 11 h. 11 min. 25 sec.; No. 10 (Mr J Cordell), 11 h. 13 min.; Dotterel (Mr. J. Coombe), 11 h. 14 min.; Olga (Mr. P. Wilkinson), 11 h. 14 min. 20 sec.; Thelma (Mr. C. Emery), 11 h. 16. min. 15 sec.; Baby Jean (Mr. J Espezell), 11 h. 32 min. 5 sec.

The class match, in which four boats competed, was timed as follows: B.R.A. 2 (Mr. C. Adams), 11 h. 20 min.; B.R.A. 14 (Mr. F. Bubb), 11 h. 21 min. 5 sec.

ROYAL CANOE CLUB.

The Royal Canoe Club brought off another match for club prizes at their headquarters at Trowlock Island, Teddington. There was a fleet of seven starters in a light south-easterly breeze. Genetta led away at the start at 3.35 p.m. and held the lead throughout, to win by over five minutes from Senora. The official finishing times for the four rounds of the course in Teddington Reach were:—

Genetta (Mr. E. Freeman), 4 hr. 27 min. 15 sec.; Senora (Mr. W. B. Statham), 4 hr. 32 min. 25 sec.; Haze (Mr. R. A. Smith), 4 hr. 34 min. 25 sec.; Curlew (Mr. F. Knight), 4 hr. 36 min. 20 sec.; Iota (Mr. G. D Hazzledine), 4 hr. 37 min. 40 sec.; Mayfly (Mr. A. R. Evans), 4 hr. 38 min. 25 sec.

UPPER THAMES S.C.

Continuing its autumn programme, the Upper Thames Sailing Club brought off a handicap race at its headquarters at Bourne End yesterday for a prize presented by Mr. James Steel. The start took place at 3.20 p.m. in a light and variable south-westerly breeze, with rain falling steadily. The handicap worked out closely, as will be seen by the following official (corrected) times of the finish:—

Mr. R. Scott Freeman's Kestrel (winner), 4 h. 49 min. 22 sec.; Capt. H. P. Boyd's Summer Time (2nd prize), 4 h. 49 min. 41 sec.; Major Willoughby's Myosotis (3rd prize), 4 h. 52 min. 58 sec.

LONDON CORINTHIAN S.C.

The annual race for the Doreen Challenge Cup was sailed off at Hammersmith. The trophy is sailed for by members steering their own boats, who have competed in three previous races during the current season, and the crews also have to be full members of the club.

There were only four starters, and they were sent off at 6.5 p.m., being set to cover the long Hammersmith-Barnes course in a light to moderate south-westerly breeze. This they did in quite good time, Mr. G. Bull's Anthea being a somewhat easy winner by about 3½ min. The official (corrected) times of finishing were:—

Mr. G. Bull's Anthea (winner), 6 hr. 44 min. 32 sec.; Mr. S. D. Byles's Why Not? (second prize), 6 hr. 48 min. 7 sec.; Sir Michael Selby Bruce's Yo-Ho-Ho (third prize), 6 hr. 48 min. 59 sec. Messrs. Cobden-Sanderson and Tandy's Anne gave up.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

Heavy rain made rifle shooting difficult at Bisley. The programme included the championship shoot of the City R.C., and the second stage of the championship of the North London R.C. Both contestants were under the same conditions—10 shots at 300, 500, and 600 yards, h.p.s. 150 points.

The winner of the City R.C., shoot was W. D. Chandler, who scored a highest possible of 50 points at 300 yards, 48 at 500 yards, and 47 at 600 yards—a splendid aggregate of 145 points out of a possible 150. With this total he won the gold medal and the championship of the club. G. F. Booth, with 143 points, was second, and H. D. Buck, third, with 139. The weekly spoon shoot of the club was won by H. D. Buck with a score of 98.

The second stage of the championship of the North London R.C. was won by G. F. Booth with 143 points. Messrs. H. G. Burr, G.M., H. Renwick, and R. Lawton tied for second place with 141 points each.

The London and Middlesex Counties R.A. spoon shoot resulted in a tie between W. Webster and J. E. Symonds with 98 points each. Three marksmen—Messrs. O. Woods, R. T. Parr, and J. E. Symonds—tied for the South London Rifle Club contest with 97 points each.

BOWLS.

NORTH BEAT SOUTH OF RICHMOND LEAGUE.

Owing to the rain, a late start was made in the Richmond, Barnes, and District League North v. South match at Mid-Surrey club. The North beat the South by 134 to 109. Details:—

NORTH.—A. Harris (Hounslow), 21; F. Hindmarsh (Lammas), 26; H. Miller (Fulham), 20; R. Cleland (Feltham), 18; A. Ovenden (Parson's Green), 20; E. Baker (Bishop's Park), 29—134.

SOUTH.—H. G. Edney (Richmond), 21; W. J. Suckling (Kingston Canbury), 16; H. Govas (Mid-Surrey), 24; G. Silcock (Sheen Common), 19; J. Entwisle (Richmond), 15; F. Powell (Mid-Surrey), 14—109.

WORTHING BOWLS FINALS.

The finals of the Worthing bowls tournament resulted as follows:—

SINGLES.—G. Jackson (St. Leonards), 21; G. M. Everitt (Hove), 8.

PAIRS.—W. M. Grice (Croydon), A. A. Warren (St. Ann's Wells), 18; N. Heath (Chippenham Town), T. Sibson (Carlisle Subscription), 17.

TRIPLES.—F. D. Lapthorn (Dulwich), E. Mackie (Horsham), L. Rodway (Dulwich), 24; A. E. Ivy, F. W. Ember, and J. H. Hill (Worthing), 21.

SPORT ITEMS.

In the Serpentine yesterday the Lord Howard de Walden Cup, over a distance of 110 yards, was won by W. F Maggs (39 sec. start). G. W. Kenny (45 sec.) was second and C. M. Reed (72 sec.) third. Maggs won by a touch.

Mr. Waldron, the Eastbourne motor cyclist, who was very seriously injured last week at Brooklands, is reported to be progressing favourably, and is now really out of danger.

W. J. Bailey, the English professional cycle champion, has been matched to meet the champion of Denmark, W. Falck Hansen, at Herne Hill on Saturday next. A five miles race for the "All-England" Plate, a lightning sprint, an ordinary (penny-farthing) handicap, and record attacks paced by triplets are among many other events in a very attractive programme.

David Davies, of Swansea, beat A. J. Stacey by 21 to 11 in the Hope Bowl bowls final at Llandrindod Wells. Stacey, who is the Welsh International skip, was the holder of the bowl.

ROWING.

THAMES SKIFF MARATHON

CUPS CHANGE HANDS.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

The chief long-distance rowing event of the Thames season—the Isleworth Skiff Marathon—took place yesterday. The racing was divided into two sections, the Amateur Rowing Association and Skiff Rowing Association representatives competing for the Heldmann Cup, and the National Amateur Rowing Association clubs for the Beck Cup in double-sculling boats. The course was from Putney to Waite's boathouse at St. Margaret's. The A.R.A. and Skiff R.A. event was poorly supported, only two crews being entered, but that for the N.A.R.A. crews proved very popular, no fewer than seven crews competing. The results were:—

HELDMANN CHALLENGE CUP (A.R.A.).—(Middlesex Station) T. G. Taylor (bow), S. R. Crowe (str.), and F. B. Hart (cox), Skiff Club, 1; (Surrey Station) N. E. Natvig (bow), F. Offer (str.), and R. G. Zimmermann (cox), Kingston R.C., 2.

The Kingston pair took an early lead, which they held for the greater part of the course. At Hammersmith, where they led by a length and a-half, the time was 10 min. 45 sec. Passing under Barnes Bridge, where the Kingston pair were three lengths ahead, the time was 23 min. 30 sec. The positions were about the same at Brentford Dock, where the leader's time was 42 min. From this point to the finish a great race saw the Skiff Club pair draw level, and at Isleworth Church, where they were still level, the time was 51 min. The last four minutes' rowing saw the crews still fighting out the issue. At the finishing post the judge gave the verdict to the Skiff Club pair by 2 ft. in the fast time of 55 min.

BECK CUP (N.A.R.A.).

The placings in this race were as follows:—WEYBRIDGE R.C. (A crew).—F. J. Rosewell (bow), B. C. Croucher (str.), and H. L. Barksley (cox), 1; ISLEWORTH R.C. (A crew): F. G. Pearson (bow), P. W. Bumstead (str.), and L. MacCarthy (cox), 2; BENSON-ON-THAMES (unattached): J. J. Moffatt (bow), A. G. Moffatt (str.), and H. Moffatt (cox), 3; ISLEWORTH R.C. (B crew).—A. V. Turner (bow), H. J. Phipps (str.), and J. H. Pearce (cox), 4.

The Weybridge R.C. A crew made the best start, clearing the rest of the competitors in the first few strokes. At Hammersmith Bridge, where they had established a long lead, the time was 12 min. Barnes Bridge was passed by Weybridge in 24 min. 30 sec. and Kew Bridge in 37 min. 30 sec. Shortly after this point Isleworth R.C. B crew, who had been rowing second, were overhauled by the unattached pair from Benson. At Brentford Dock, where the positions were unaltered, the Weybridge pair had a lead of over half a minute. Opening still further ahead, Croucher and Rosewell passed the post a minute ahead of the local crew, which had a lead of four lengths from the two Moffatts, the cup holders. The winners' time was 57 min.

GRESHAM R.C. REGATTA.

Gresham R.C. held its annual regatta at Hammersmith, the prize donors including Lord Hollenden, the Hon. C. Hope Morley, and Mr. Charles Morley. The programme was one of four events, the finals of which resulted as follows:—

SCULLING HANDICAP.—W. R. Dodson (30 sec.), 1; J. E. Standley (10 sec.), 2; D. Smart (25 sec.), 3; R. S. Foot (30 sec.), 4. Won easily.

LIGHT PAIRS.—E. J. Wallis (bow), S. Briggs (str.), and S. Gordon Tozer (cox), 1; E. H. Studley (bow), L. J. Cannon (str.), and E. Quilton (cox), 2. ¾ l.

CLUB FOURS (Lambert Cup).—W. R. Dodson (bow), J. E. Standley, W. C. Gale, D. Smart (str.), and T. H. Ramsden (cox), 1; M. Pyne (bow), F. J. Ash, W. F. Holmes, E. S. Satchell (str.), and G. E. Wakefield (cox), 2; L. B. Cooper (bow), G. L. Watts, E. J. Wallis, W. G. Bell (str.), and S Gordon Tozer (cox), 3. ¾ l.

CLUB EIGHTS.—H. F. Brooks (bow), G. Baker R. S. Foot, G. H. Coulson, E. J. Wallis, J. A. Stanley, W. Gardiner, W. S. Bell (str.), and G. E. Wakefield (cox), 1; E. Quilton (bow), L. J. Barr, R. B. Cooper, D. Smart, W. S. Gale, S C. Owen, E. H. Studley, L. J. Cannon (str.), and R. E. Snare (cox), 2. ½ l.

INTER-CLUB CONTEST.

An interesting inter-club contest in which the St. Bride, Alpha, and St. Ethelreda Rowing Clubs took part, was held at Hammersmith. The programme was a long one, and the chief results were as follow:—

CANVAS FOURS.—Alpha R.C., 1; St. Bride's R.C., 2. Won easily.

SCULLING (GIGS).—Alpha R.C., 1; St. Bride's R.C., 2. 2 l.

SCULLING (RUM-TUMS).—St. Bride's R.C., 1; Alpha R.C., 2. ½ l.

TUB PAIRS.—St. Bride's R.C., 1; Alpha R.C., 2. ½ l.

TUB FOURS.—St. Bride's R.C., 1; Alpha R.C., 2. 1 l.

EIGHTS.—St. Bride's R.C., 1; Alpha R.C., 2. 5 ft.

On the day's racing St. Bride's R.C. won four and Alpha R.C. two events.

AURIOL INVITATION REGATTA.

The third of the Invitation Regattas on the tideway—that of the Auriol R.C.—was held at Hammersmith. The programme consisted of open handicap sculls and invitation scratch eights. The conditions were excellent for rowing. Results:—

OPEN HANDICAP SCULLS.—R. G. West (Auriol R.C.), 15 sec. start, 1; F. Whitgift (Kensington R.C.), 15 sec, 2; W. D. Baddley (Vesta R.C.), 10 sec., 3; L. E. Southwood (Auriol R.C.), scratch, 0; F. W. Jordan (Auriol R.C.), 5 sec., 0. 1 l.; others close up.

INVITATION SCRATCH EIGHTS.—Centre Station: H. J. Hodges (Mortlake R.C.), bow, L. H. Baker (Auriol R.C.), C. C. Davey (Chelsea Polytechnic B.C.), Mr. A. J. D'Arcy (Anglian B.C.), J. Frost (Birmingham R.C.), L. W. Knight (Vesta R.C.), R. T. A. Reves (Auriol R.C.), R. F. Boyton (Auriol R.C.), stroke, and C. E. Mence (Auriol R.C.), cox, 1; Surrey Station: J. E. Smith (Anglian B.C.), bow, G. Howard (Harrodian R.C.), G. A. Wright (Auriol B.C.), T. F. Heywood (Auriol R.C.), A. W. C. Bramwell (Chelsea Polytechnic B.C.), M. A. H. Schroeder (Vesta R.C.), H. R. Crowe (Auriol R.C.), P. Edwards (Kensington R.C.) stroke, and A. H. Stead (Auriol R.C.). cox. 2; Middlesex Station: E. G. Burton (Auriol R.C.), bow, C. Gillespie (Kensington R.C.), J. E. Richards (Anglian B.C.), E. V. Thomas (Chelsea Polytechnic B.C.), A. J. Burns (Auriol R.C.), E. A. Jennings (Mortlake R.C.), W. H. March (Vesta R.C.), F. B. Ashenden (Auriol R.C.), stroke, and C. Burges (Mortlake R.C.), cox, 3. ½ l., after a keen race; good third.

SPARTAN R.C. CUP.

The annual race given for Novices' Fours for the Spartan R.C. Challenge Cup took place on the Lea, under good rowing conditions. The event attracted a fine entry, and some splendid racing was seen. As the result of a well-contested final, Gladstone R.C. beat Oxford House R.C. by about a length.

WOMEN'S SCULLING.

A NEW HOLDER OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

There is great diversity of opinion as to whether competitive rowing is of advantage to women. The fact that Miss Margaret Barff (Alpha L.R.C.), the holder of the Women's Sculling Championship, was unable to defend her title yesterday owing to reasons of health, looks like a point to those who argue that rowing is no sport for women. Her absence, however, did not detract from the interest taken in the contest.

The course was the historic Putney-Mortlake stretch of the river, a distance of four and a-quarter miles, and the aspirants to the title were Miss Therza Innes (St. George's L.R.C.) and Miss D. Slark (Helen Smith L.R.C.), both of whom competed twelve months ago. Miss Gentry, the honorary secretary of the Women's Amateur Rowing Association, had the assistance of Mr. H. T. Blackstaffe, the old Olympic champion sculler, as umpire and starter. They were got away soon after 4 o'clock, thus getting the best of the tide and fast conditions. The draw for stations gave Miss Innes the Surrey and Miss Slark the Middlesex side of the river.

The story of the race is soon told. Miss Innes made a bad start, losing over a length. Miss Slark, seizing her opportunity, sculled right away from her opponent. Forcing the pace, she was nearly a dozen lengths up at the mile, her time being 5 min. 12 sec., and at Hammersmith Bridge had quite a comfortable lead, the time being 10 min. 28 sec. At Chiswick Steps (time 15 min. 48 sec.) it was apparent that the pace had told on the leader, as Miss Innes was rapidly overtaking her. The end came at the Griffin Brewery. Miss Slark here cracked, and Miss Innes was left to finish alone, which she did in the excellent time of 18 min. 25 sec., five seconds faster than last year's time.

NEWMAN v. BRADY.

Conceding Joe Brady 8,000 start at the Palace Hotel, Southend, Newman, yesterday afternoon made breaks of 34, 155, 113, 383, and 209, Brady's best being 63 and 130. Newman's average was 143 and Brady's 33. Interval scores:—

NEWMAN	24,547
BRADY (in play)	16,640

RESULT.

NEWMAN	25,642
BRADY (rec. 2,000)	16,878

LAWN TENNIS.

SOUTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP.

MIKI BEATS KINGSLEY.

By A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

EASTBOURNE, Saturday.

It was most unfortunate that one of the most pleasant of the long series of tournaments held at Devonshire Park, Eastbourne, should have been spoilt by the weather to-day. A fine morning was followed by a very heavy shower of rain just before two o'clock, and all the outside courts were put out of action. The weather, however, cleared about five o'clock, and the enterprise of the Devonshire Park authorities in having the two "show" courts protected was shown to be more than justified.

The two Singles were able to be played, and considering the fact that the four players engaged had a long wait the form was really good. R. Miki won the Men's Cup by beating Charles Kingsley by 7—5, 6—3, and so Japan gained her second success at this meeting. Y. Ohta was the victor two years ago.

Miki wisely peppered Kingsley's backhand, and it was, of course, tactically correct. Miki once or twice played some very careless strokes on the backhand, but, otherwise, he played a well-balanced game. Kingsley had made a great effort to save the first set, but he was rather rash in his visits to the net, for Miki's passing drives were low and severe. The second set was not nearly so close, and Miki held the whip hand.

In winning the Women's Singles, Miss P. E. Mudford did no more than expected, but she had to go all out to beat that fine stroke player, Miss M. Heeley, by 5—2, 7—5. The winner was just a shade the more severe on the forehand, and not so prone to fail at the easy ball. But then it is the duty of all players of the front rank to exercise the proper care.

The three Doubles championships all had to be divided.

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Final: R. Miki beat C. H. Kingsley, 7—5, 6—3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Final: Miss P. E. Mudford beat Miss M. Heeley, 6—2, 7—5.

MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Final: C. H. Kingsley and C. G. Eames divided with E. C. Peters and H. K. Lester.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Final: Miss E. H. Harvey and Miss P. E. Mudford divided with Mrs. Holcroft-Watson and Miss G. R. Sterry.

MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP.—Final: R. Miki and Miss P. E. Mudford (holders) divided with C. G. Eames and Miss E. H. Harvey.

VETERANS' SINGLES (All-England Championship).—Final: G. Greville (30) beat C. O. Tuckey (5-6) (holder), 9—7, 6—0.

VETERANS' DOUBLES (All-England Championship).—Final: C. P. Dixon and G. Greville (15.3) divided with C. O Tuckey and W. A. Ingram (4-6).

MEN'S SINGLES (Level).—Final: A. Hyat beat G. E. Bean, 6—3, 3—6, 6—1, 4—6, 6—3.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (Level).—Final: Miss F. J. Taylor beat Miss J Crocker, 2—6, 6—3, 6—4.

MEN'S DOUBLES (Level).—Final: M. D. Dando and F. Salzmann divided with J. C. Hudson and A. Nisbett.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES (Level).—Final: Miss B. M. Fellowes and Miss Mavrogordato divided with Miss E. M Croger and Mrs. Pamplin.

MIXED DOUBLES (Level).—Final: D. Brown and Miss I. M. Boothroyd divided with H. R. Beauchamp and Miss S. Ramsay.

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.

FEATURES OF THE WEEK.

From OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

The finals of the Junior Championships of Great Britain at Wimbledon were postponed until to-morrow, owing to rain.

The finalists in the Boys' Singles are D. G. Freshwater and W. F. Moss, and in the Girls' Singles Miss P. G. Brazier and Miss J. Saunders. To reach the final of the Junior Championships is to ensure recognition in the future, and it may be of added satisfaction to the successful ones that the places have been gained, at any rate so far as the girls are concerned, in a field of promise.

Miss Brazier has not lost a set in six matches. Having won the Schoolgirls' tournament at Queen's Club at the beginning of the holidays, she started favourite for the event. Coaching has been more or less lavished upon her, and at the age of sixteen she is considerably further advanced than most girls of her age. Of slender build, she is not able to achieve much in the way of speed, but she has control and an admirable sense of direction. Her service is the weak spot in her game, and unless it is placed and of good length, it is likely to be punished at the forceful hands of Miss Saunders.

Miss Saunders is also 16, so that these two may be the chief contestants for the title again next year. Miss Saunders hails from Alberta, Canada, but has a residential qualification to play for Middlesex, by reason of which she was able to compete in the Junior Championship of that county the week previously, which she won with some ease. She is strongly built, and has powerful drives on both wings. Until the semi-final round, when she narrowly defeated Miss J. R. Harman, the Irish girl champion, she might have laid herself open to the accusation of indiscriminate hitting, but on the one occasion when it was really demanded of her, she proved that she could be steady.

A Player of Promise.

Her match with Miss Harman was productive of better lawn tennis than is expected from the juniors, and as Miss Harman is under sixteen, and consequently has two more years to play as a junior, and has good reason to lament her luck as regards her defeat, it may be assumed that she is a player of even greater promise.

Miss Harman may, in fact, be regarded as the discovery of this year's championships. She had a difficult passage to the semi-final. She first attracted notice by beating Miss Mary Whitmarsh, the Surrey girl champion, who is, in terms of junior qualification, a year younger, and after she lost sets to Miss S. M. Spelling and Miss Sheila Chuter. She is tall for her age, and has probably outgrown her strength. This might account for certain lapses which were in evidence in the course of these matches, but in her performances were discernable the early development of anticipative powers, ball control and directional sense more nearly resembling the uncanny powers of Mlle. Lenglen than anything seen on the courts of Wimbledon since that great player.

If Miss Saunders is as steady to-morrow as she was against Miss Harman, who led by a set and 4—2, and was unlucky not to lead 5—2, she should beat Miss Brazier. If, on the other hand, her virile drives are apt to go astray, as they have done in some of her other matches, Miss Brazier may prove too clever for her.

Freshwater, like Miss Brazier, with whom he holds the mixed doubles championship, came through without losing a set. His hardest match was against M. E. Angel in the semi-final. Angel had been runner-up to him in last year's Middlesex boys' championship, and succeeded him this year, when Freshwater did not compete. It was not a very inspiring match, and showed that Freshwater can be reduced to a state of something like impotency by mere steadiness of return. Freshwater has copied the drive of the Japanese players, Z. Shimidzu and Y. Ohta. The grip is unorthodox, but the effect a top spin drive of considerable ferocity.

Moss is just the kind of steady merchant to meet it with equanimity, and it is conceivable that Freshwater will beat himself in endeavouring to exceed his capabilities. Moss had a strenuous match with C. O. J. Duncan, whose chief feature was his determination and grit. C. I. Turner, another Middlesex boy, who, it is stated, has taught himself, has a natural style, a beautifully produced service, and a good idea of volleying, but needs to speed up his ground strokes. He failed to make any impression on Moss in the semi-final.

Angel and W. I. Nicoll and E. J. Readwin and G. S. W. Fitt, a Norfolk pair, are the finalists in the boys' doubles; Miss Y. J. Allnatt and Miss P. Craske (Middlesex) and Miss S. K. W. Hewitt and Miss E. D. Sutton are the finalists in the girls' doubles; and Freshwater and Miss Brazier have reached the final of the mixed doubles, there being one semi-final to be played off this morning.

GOLF.

FELIXSTOWE MEETING.

GIRL CHAMPION LOSES.

Miss Pauline Doran (North Surrey), the new fifteen years old girl golf champion, was one of the fifty-two competitors who took part in the open meeting over the Eastward Ho! club's course at Felixstowe. The chief prize was the Felixstowe Challenge Cup, for which a thirty-six holes competition, under handicap, was played, but Miss Doran was obviously suffering from the reaction of her effort in winning the Girls' Championship after a very strenuous week's play, for she made an erratic start to her round yesterday morning, and did not hand in her card. In the afternoon heavy rain began to fall, and the young champion could do no better than return a score of 92—9=83. The trophy was won by E. W. Packe, a member of the home club, with a score of 169-30=139, R. Bloomfield (Eastward Ho!), with 180-30=150, and S. T. Ellis (Southwold) with 166-16=150, tieing for second place. J. Rush (Eastward Ho!) had the next best return of 159-6=153, while O. Bunn (Rushmere, Ipswich), a scratch player, had an aggregate of 154, with which he won the prize for the best gross score over thirty-six holes.

AMERICAN GOLF.

PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

Tommy Armour, a native of Edinburgh, and now a professional to the Tam o' Shanter Club, and Gene Sarazen, a former holder, contested the final of the American Professional Golf Championship on the Fresh Meadow course here to-day. In the semi-final Armour beat Charles Lacey (Pine Valley), a native of Gerrard's Cross, England, by one hole, and Sarazen defeated Joe Kirkwood, a former Australian champion, by five and four.—*Reuter Special Service.*

SUSSEX COUNTY G.U. MEETING.

The Sussex County Golf Union held a meeting for junior members over the course of the St. Leonards Club. The Inter-Club Challenge Cup was won by St. Leonards; and R. G. Parkes (Royal Eastbourne) won the thirty-six holes handicap competition and the scratch aggregate prize.

SHERINGHAM'S AUTUMN MEETING.

E. C. Laws (1) beat Geoffrey Daniell (5) by 3 and 2 in the eighteen holes final of the Sheringham's Club Autumn meeting match-play tournament for the "Douglas Read" Challenge Cup.

BOGNOR REGIS WEEK.

The Bognor Regis club brought to an end yesterday their Open Golf week. The challenge cup was won by W. R. Pearce, who beat J. Russell in the final over thirty-six holes by 2 and 1. Capt. Brady and G. Ralston beat H. Fitch and P. R. Biggleston by 3 and 1 in the foursomes tournament final. V. A. Webb won the open medal with a return of 83—14=69, and the putting competition ended in favour of Mrs. Fitch.

RECORD AT ABERDOVEY.

After two replays M. R. Kittermaster (Oxford University) won the Club Gold Medal in the Aberdovey Summer Open meeting yesterday with a score of 71, which constitutes a reocrd for the newly lengthened course of 6,100 yards.

AUTUMN MEETING AT WALLASEY.

The Autumn Meeting of the Wallasey Club concluded yesterday, when J. G. Robson won the Cullen Medal for the best scratch score with a round of 75, and also won the handicap award with a score of 74 net. A. K. Davidson and A. H. Reynolds tied for the Albert Challenge Cup, each having net aggregates of 150.

GOLF CLUB COMPETITIONS.

BERKHAMSTED.—M.B.: Major C. D. A. Bingham (12), 6 up.

BRIGHTON AND HOVE.—M.M.: J. A. L. Reeves, 81—12=69.

BROKENHURST MANOR.—M.M.: Lieut.-Comdr. H. Anderson, 90—14=76.

BURHILL.—M.M.—Sen.: L. H. Savill, 79—9=70. Jun.: G. E. Suter, 86—14=72. New Zealand Shield, 36 holes: L. H. Savill, 159—18=141.

CHIGWELL.—M.B.—Sen.: Dr. H. E. Williams (11), 3 up. Jun.: W. H. Morton (22), 2 down.

COOMBE HILL.—W.C. Medal: Cecil S. Walker, 89—14=75.

CROWBOROUGH BEACON.—M.M.: J. E. Mellor (scr.), 76. Burt-Brill Aggregate Cup: C. K. Pasmore.

EDGWARE.—M.M.—Sen.: J. Freeman, 86—10=76. Jun.: A. M. Grey, 90—15=75.

FOLKESTONE.—M.B.: W. B. Doyle (scr.), 2 up.

FULWELL.—M.M.: J. G. Harriott, 82—16=66.

GERRARDS CROSS.—M.B.: J. Leeming (10) 4 up.

GUILDFORD.—M.M.: W. T. Channell, 85—15=70.

HAMPSTEAD.—M.M.—Sen.: K. S. Mitcheson, 84—11=73. Jun.: L. K. Baseley, 90—18=72.

HANGER HILL.—M.M.—Sen.: F. Clemons, 77—7=70. Jun.: C. O. Hicks, 82—14=68.

HASTINGS.—M.M.—Sen.: R. L. Mansell, 74—3=71. Jun.: C. M. Clonnett, 98—22=76.

HENDON.—Autumn Meeting.—Morning: G. P. Sixsmith, 88—17=71; W. Thorp, 89—16=73. Afternoon: G. P. Sixsmith, 88—17=71; H. G. V. Homer, 81—6=75. 36 Holes Handicap: G. P. Sixsmith (17), 142; W. Thorp (16), 149. 36 Holes Scr.: W. A. Sanderson, 79+80=159. Ladies' M.M.—Sen.: Mrs. Lewin, 85—10=75. Jun.: Mrs. Hunter, 105—36=69.

HERNE BAY.—"Westcar" Cup: Major G. V. Rice (11), 2 up.

HOME PARK.—M.B.: K. L. Branston (7), 2 up; A. Hindle (14), 1 up.

IFIELD.—Ifield Cup: F. E. Kahane, 80—11=69.

LANGLEY PARK.—M.M.—Sen.: H. Richardson, 77—2=75. Jun.: Major E. H. Coe, 93—16=77.

LEATHERHEAD.—M.M.—Sen.: Dr. Ritchie (scr.), 73; R. E. A. Dash, 76—2=74. Jun.: H. Sellar, 83—18=65; H. M. Backus, 91—17=74.

MAIDENHEAD.—M.M.—Sen.: W. D. W. Brooks, 82—8=74. Jun.: J. Gibson, 85—14=71.

MUSWELL HILL.—M.M.—Second Class: L. Courtney, 89—16=73.

NORTH HANTS.—M.M.: H. M. Row, 77—2=75 and Lieut.-Col. A. L. Scott, 88—13=75, tied.

POTTERS BAR.—Founders' Bowl: S. Messer, 88—16=72. M.M.: S. Messer, 88—16=72.

ROCHESTER AND COBHAM PARK.—Oakleigh Cup: R. N. Russell (4) and J. A. Miller (9) tied at 1 up.

ROYAL BLACKHEATH.—Swedish Cup: V. E. Zethrin, 85—9=76, and E. Murray-Brand, 88—12=76, tied.

ROYAL CROMER.—Muskett Cup: Capt. R. Barrow (6) beat A. P. Simes (scr.) by 2 and 1. Fisher Rowe Memorial Cup: E. T. Green (16) beat W. I. Pearson (6) by 3 and 2.

ROYAL EASTBOURNE.—B.—1st Div.: W. F. Holme (12), all sq. 2nd Div.: E. Vaughan (21), 3 down.

ROYAL ST. GEORGE'S.—M.C.: A. J. Evans, 73+1=74; N. J. Holloway, 79—5=74; and N. J. Anderson, 79—5=74, tied.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S (RAMSGATE).—Summer O.M.—"Victory" Cup (36 holes): H. J. Bower, 169—36=133. Scratch (36 holes): P. de Rome, 80+72=152. Members' Handicap: J. E. Lilwall, 167—32=135. 18 Holes.—Morning: T. A. Clarke, 87—18=69. Afternoon: W. A. Beare, 72—7=65.

ST. GEORGE'S HILL.—M.M. (played over second course): D. G. Nairn (2), 1 down.

SEAFORD.—Town Cup (36 holes): Dr. W. J. Walters, 182—22=160.

SHANKLIN AND SANDOWN.—A.M.: Match-play Competition.—Final: H. Nutt (9) beat Colonel Trelawny (11). Medal: Major Ireland, 91—18=73. Bogey: P. White (8), 3 up. Mixed Foursomes: H. Nutt and Miss Nutt tied at 2 down with Major and Mrs. Ireland. Foursomes: H. and S. Godfrey, 86—9=77.

SOUTH HERTS.—Woodside Cup.—Final: T. Campbell, 174—20=154.

SUDBURY.—Ladies' M.—Sen.: Miss E. Wilson, 88—16=72. Jun.: Miss L. V. Gregory, 100—25=75.

SUNDRIDGE PARK.—M.M.—Senior: M. W. Haigh, 75—2=73; G. S. Richard, 86—10=76. Junior: J. S. G. Browne (16), 3 down; E. J. Thomas (13), 4 down.

WANSTEAD.—Rabbits Cup: C. Meaton, 96—20=76 and W. G. Richardson, 98—22=76, tied.

WEST HERTS.—Autumn Meeting.—"Oxenham" Cup: P. L. Frost (6), 74+75=149; R. A. Chalk (16), 72+81=153. Scr. M.: H. J. Ashwell, 76+84=160; P. L. Frost, 80+81=161. Club prize: R. A. Chalk, 88—16=72.

WEST KENT.—M.B.: L. W. Fyson, 1 up; H. B. Allum, 1 down.

KENT COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Rain ruined the last day's play in the Kent Coast championships at Hythe yesterday, and the various events were divided. H. W. Standring won the first set at 6—4 against H. G. N. Cooper in the Men's Singles Final, and Miss M. E. Dix led Miss J. Fry 2—0 in the third set of the final of the Women's Singles. Results:—

MEN'S SINGLES (Kent Coast Championship).—Final: H. G. N. Cooper and H. W. Standring divided, after Standring had won the first set at 6—4.

WOMEN'S SINGLES (Kent Coast Championships).—Final: Miss J. Fry and Miss M. E. Dix divided, with Miss Dix leading 6—4, 1—6, 2—0.

MEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: L. J. Hill and H. W. Standring divided with H. G. N. Cooper and J. Pennycuick.

WOMEN'S DOUBLES.—Final: Miss J. Fry and Miss M. E. Dix divided with Miss E. M. Dearman and Miss O. L. Webb.

MIXED DOUBLES (Kent Coast Championship).—Final: L. J. Hill and Miss M. Phayre divided with H. W. Standring and Mrs. Standring.

Association Football.

GREAT AWAY WIN MAINTAINS ARSENAL'S LEADERSHIP.

NEWCASTLE SCORE SEVEN—CHELSEA FALL AT WEST HAM.

EVERTON STILL UNCHECKED.

There were some extraordinary results in League football yesterday. Visiting teams won great honours—four victories in the First Division and two draws, leaving the home clubs with little to enthuse about.

Newcastle actually won by 7—4 on Manchester United's ground, while for the third time already this season, the Arsenal scored four times as visitors. Their win at Sunderland gives them the leadership—a point over the Villa, who could only draw at Bolton.

Huddersfield won their second away victory of the week, Liverpool losing 4—1.

West Ham struck Chelsea (who did not play Jackson, the Scottish international from Huddersfield) a shrewd blow. Chelsea played the clever tip-tap game in the mud. West Ham slung the ball about, and won 4—1.

In the Second Division Everton did well to win 2—1 at West Bromwich. This was the Albion's first loss. Reading go from bad to worse. They lost 8—1 at Burnley, and have now sacrificed 26 goals in five matches.

In the Southern Section Northampton continue unchecked. They won their third away victory at Gillingham by a couple of goals. Notts County also won at Swindon. Thames and Norwich each allowed their opponents to score seven goals.

FIRST DIVISION.

The way of Leicester City is to play a lot of clever football, and spoil much of it by poor marksmanship. They wasted a number of chances against Portsmouth at Leicester, but as Lochhead succeeded in scoring twice, and Chandler once, they won the match. Easson scored Portsmouth's goal.

Though Huddersfield Town have lost Jackson to Chelsea, their forwards played an impressive game at Liverpool, where the home team were beaten by 4—1. Gerald Kelley, the former Nelson player, who now occupies Jackson's old place on the right wing, scored two of the goals. Robson, the recruit from Grimsby, and Smailes, provided the others. Smith scored Liverpool's only goal.

Briggs returned to centre-forward in the Birmingham team against Manchester City at Birmingham, and Bradford was moved to inside-left, the position in which he played for England last season. The changes worked. Briggs scored twice and Bradford once. Tait and Brook obtained goals for the defeated Mancunians.

Sheffield Wednesday, the League champions, were fortunate to win at Grimsby. It was a case of "Jack being as good as his master," and the Wednesday have to thank the splendid goal-keeping of Brown for their victory. Rimmer (2) and Ball scored for the winners. Prior obtained both of Grimsby's goals.

The irrepressible Waring earned unbeaten Aston Villa a point at Bolton. His goal snatched late in the game was his eleventh of the season—and eleven goals in five matches is good going. Bolton Wanderers had the better of the first half, and deserved the goal lead—Blackmore was the scorer—they held at the interval.

Chelsea played a lot of delightful football at West Ham, but the home forwards had spells of great luck in the second half, and to this the wide margin of victory was chiefly due. Gallacher missed a rare opening early on before Law scored from a penalty for hands against S. Pier—who made a promising appearance at centre-half. Cadwell hit the bar and Watson headed the rebound into goal.

Ruffell centred for the ball to hit Earle and go through to give West Ham the lead. Then Wilson hit the bar before James got a third from close in. Yews meant to centre but the ball screwed in for the Hammers fourth. Law played a great game for Chelsea and Hufton was outstanding in goal.

Middlesbrough were the cleverer side at Blackpool, but dash and determination pulled the home side through. Hampson (2) and Quinn scored for Blackpool; Warren and Bruce for Middlesbrough.

Leeds United's victory over Blackburn Rovers at Leeds was the reward of superior tactics. Blackburn fought hard, but they lacked the method of Leeds, and it was the fine goalkeeping of Binns that saved them from a heavier defeat. Keetley (2), Duggan, and Wainscoat scored for Leeds United; Groves and Bruton for Blackburn.

It is many years since Gillespie and Tunstall first formed Sheffield United's left wing, but against Derby County, at Sheffield yesterday, they gave another demonstration that they are still an effective pair. They shared two of the United's three goals, the other coming from Dunne. Crooks Barclay, and Ramage scored for Derby County, who deserved their point.

Although the Arsenal visited Sunderland without James and Jones, they were too clever for the home side. Morrison, who reappeared at centre-forward for Sunderland, gave the home club an early lead, but Lambert put the Arsenal level and scored again before the interval. The Arsenal added two more after the interval through Hulme and Lambert.

SECOND DIVISION.

It was superior football that won Everton their victory over the hitherto all-conquering West Bromwich Albion at the Hawthorns. The visitors were the more polished side, and supported by some excellent goalkeeping by Coggins, the polish paid. A goal by Cookson enabled the Albion to cross over with the lead, but Dean and White scored for Everton in the second half.

Millwall scored first at Oldham—Cook obtained the goal, but it was a case of flattering to deceive. The reverse spurred Oldham Athletic to show what they could do, and goals by Gray (2) and Dyson gave them the victory they deserved.

Charlton Athletic's forwards are clever, but marksmanship is their weak point. They frequently bewildered the Barnsley defence at The Valley—yet had only a goal by Horton, their left-winger, to show for their trouble. Chance after chance was just frittered away, and as Harston succeeded in getting a goal, Barnsley were presented with one of the points.

There was more honest endeavour than skilful football at Valley Parade, where Bristol City earned their first point away from home at the expense of Bradford City. Elliott scored for Bristol City, and Keetley put Bradford City on level terms.

Stoke City went to Nottingham and provided the Forest with their first brace of points. The laurels went to the better side. Dent scored the Forest's three goals.

Cardiff City played Smith, their recruit from Middlesbrough, at left-back, at Hanley, but his presence failed to stem the tide of defeat. Cardiff's defence stuck to their guns manfully—Farquharson gave a great display of goalkeeping—but Port Vale, for whom Griffiths and Baxter scored, were the masters.

Wolverhampton Wanderers, who had won four consecutive matches, met their Waterloo at Preston, and it was a second half rally that won North End the game. The Wolves led at the interval by three goals to two, after McClelland had scored for Preston, the Wolves scored their three goals within five minutes. First it was Bottrill, then Hetherington, and then Hartill. Scott reduced the lead before the interval, and three second-half goals by Reid (2), and Smith won them the match. Phillips obtained a second-half goal for the Wolves.

Reading's changes in the side that went to Burnley failed to change their fortune, and another heavy defeat was their portion. Page (3), Mantle (2) O'Dowd, Jenkins, Brown, and Priest obtained goals for Burnley, to which Reading replied with one by Eaton.

Tottenham Hotspur found Bradford a difficult side to beat at White Hart Lane. A serious mistake by Spiers—a thing that seldom happens—enabled the visitors to score first. He deflected a shot from Kilcar over the goal-line. Dimmock equalised, but Parris restored Bradford's lead early in the second half. Then the 'Spurs' forwards gave an exhibition of the best, and two goals, one scrambled through from a corner and one cleverly scored by Harper, won them the match.

THIRD DIVISION.

Cooper scored four of Walsall's seven against Norwich. Brighton collapsed in the first half, when Rounce (2), Coward, and Burns scored for Queen's Park Rangers. Wilson got the only goal of the second half for Brighton.

Hammond and Temple scored for Fulham, who were much superior to Clapton Orient. Bristol Rovers also had the pull over Crystal Palace, Forbes and Young obtaining the goals, to which Simpson (penalty) alone replied.

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION I.

Birmingham	3	Manchester City	2
Blackpool	3	Middlesbrough	2
Bolton Wanderers	1	Aston Villa	1
Grimsby Town	2	Sheffield Wednesday	3
Leeds United	4	Blackburn Rovers	2
Leicester City	3	Portsmouth	1
Liverpool	1	Huddersfield Town	4
Manchester United	4	Newcastle United	7
Sheffield United	3	Derby County	3
Sunderland	1	Arsenal	4
West Ham United	4	Chelsea	1

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Arsenal	5	5	0	0	18	6	10
Aston Villa	5	4	1	0	15	6	9
Leicester City	5	3	2	0	10	5	8
Huddersfield Tn.	5	3	1	1	16	7	7
Derby County	5	2	3	0	11	6	7
Birmingham	5	2	2	1	8	6	6
West Ham U.	5	3	0	2	14	11	6
Sheffield Wed.	5	2	2	1	7	7	6
Newcastle Utd.	5	2	1	2	11	9	5
Chelsea	5	2	1	2	9	8	5
Middlesbrough	5	2	1	2	11	10	5
Leeds United	5	2	1	2	12	13	5
Portsmouth	5	1	3	1	8	9	5
Liverpool	5	2	1	2	13	17	5
Blackpool	5	2	1	2	10	15	5
Sheffield Utd.	5	0	4	1	10	12	4
Grimsby Tn.	5	1	1	3	7	9	3
Sunderland	5	0	3	2	9	14	3
Bolton Wan.	5	1	1	3	9	15	3
Blackburn Rov.	5	1	0	4	11	11	2
Manchester Cy.	5	0	1	4	9	16	1
Manchester Utd.	5	0	0	5	10	26	0

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION II.

Bradford C.	1	Bristol C.	1
Burnley	8	Reading	1
Charlton A.	1	Barnsley	1
Notts Forest	3	Stoke City	0
Oldham A.	3	Millwall	1
Plymouth A.	2	Southampton	3
Port Vale	2	Cardiff City	0
Preston N. E.	5	Wolverhampton W.	4
Swansea Town	5	Bury	2
Tottenham H.	3	Bradford	2
West Brom. A.	1	Everton	2

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Everton	5	5	0	0	14	6	10
Bury	5	4	0	1	15	5	8
West Brom. Albion	5	4	0	1	15	5	8
Preston N.E.	5	4	0	1	17	8	8
Wolverhampton W.	5	4	0	1	18	10	8
Oldham Ath.	5	4	0	1	10	7	8
Tottenham H.	5	3	0	2	20	9	6
Bradford	5	2	1	2	12	8	5
Burnley	5	2	1	2	15	14	5
Port Vale	5	2	1	2	10	10	5
Bradford City	5	2	1	2	7	7	5
Stoke City	5	2	1	2	9	10	5
Swansea Tn.	5	2	1	2	10	11	5
Barnsley	5	2	1	2	6	11	5
Charlton Ath.	5	1	2	2	6	9	4
Southampton	5	1	2	2	5	10	4
Bristol City	5	1	2	2	4	12	4
Notts Forest	5	1	1	3	9	13	3
Plymouth Argyle	5	1	0	4	9	10	2
Millwall	5	1	0	4	6	10	2
Cardiff City	5	0	0	5	6	16	0
Reading	5	0	0	5	4	26	0

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION III. (Southern).

Bournemouth and B.	1	Watford	1
Bristol R.	2	Crystal Palace	1
Coventry C.	7	Thames	1
Exeter City	2	Torquay Utd.	2
Fulham	2	Clapton Orient	0
Gillingham	0	Northampton Town	2
Luton Town	2	Southend Utd.	1
Newport C.	0	Brentford	2
Queen's Park R.	4	Brighton and H. A.	1
Swindon Town	1	Notts Co.	2
Walsall	7	Norwich City	0

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Northampton	5	4	1	0	11	1	9
Notts Co.	5	4	1	0	16	5	9
Coventry City	5	2	2	1	15	6	6
Watford	5	2	2	1	11	8	6
Brentford	5	2	2	1	8	6	6
Fulham	5	2	2	1	7	9	6
Queen's P.R.	5	2	1	2	10	7	5
Walsall	5	2	1	2	18	13	5
Crystal Palace	5	2	1	2	11	8	5
Southend Un.	5	2	1	2	11	10	5
Torquay Un.	5	2	1	2	12	11	5
Exeter City	5	1	3	1	7	7	5
Bournemouth & B.	5	1	3	1	7	8	5
Luton Town	5	1	3	1	7	10	5
Gillingham	5	1	2	2	5	7	4
Brighton and H.A.	5	1	2	2	7	10	4
Swindon	5	2	0	3	9	13	4
Thames	5	2	0	3	8	15	4
Bristol Rovers	5	1	2	2	5	11	4
Clapton O.	5	1	1	3	8	13	3
Norwich C.	5	0	3	2	5	13	3
Newport Co.	5	1	0	4	4	11	2

THE LEAGUE.—DIVISION III. (Northern.)

Accrington Stanley	5	Tranmere Rovers	2
Barrow	1	York City	2
Chesterfield	2	Rotherham United	1
Darlington	1	Crewe Alexandra	2
Doncaster Rovers	0	Hull City	2
Gateshead	0	Lincoln City	1
Halifax Town	1	Nelson	0
New Brighton	0	Wigan Boro'	2
Rochdale	4	Wrexham	3
Southport	1	Carlisle United	2
Stockport County	3	Hartlepools United	1

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Chesterfield	5	4	1	0	11	6	9
Lincoln City	5	4	0	1	12	5	8
Wigan Boro'	5	4	0	1	11	6	8
Hull City	5	4	0	1	14	5	8
Wrexham	5	3	1	1	17	9	7
Accrington Stanley	5	3	1	1	11	9	7
Halifax Town	5	3	0	2	7	6	6
Tranmere R.	5	3	0	2	11	10	6
Stockport Co.	5	3	0	2	10	14	6
York City	5	2	1	2	10	9	5
Rotherham Un.	5	2	1	2	10	12	5
Rochdale	5	2	1	2	12	13	5
Carlisle Un.	5	2	0	3	8	7	4
Barrow	5	1	2	2	3	5	4
Crewe Alex.	5	2	0	3	8	10	4
Gateshead	5	2	0	3	6	9	4
Doncaster R.	5	1	1	3	7	9	3
Southport	5	1	1	3	5	8	3
Nelson	5	1	0	4	8	11	2
Hartlepools U.	5	1	0	4	8	12	2
Darlington	5	1	0	4	8	13	2
New Brighton	5	1	0	4	3	12	2

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

Aberdeen	2	Motherwell	4
Clyde	1	Hearts	2
East Fife	1	Airdrieonians	5
Falkirk	1	St. Mirren	3
Hamilton Acads.	0	Celtic	0
Hibernians	0	Partick Thistle	3
Kilmarnock	2	Ayr Utd.	1
Morton	1	Cowdenbeath	2
Queen's Park	2	Dundee	2
Rangers	4	Leith Ath.	1

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals For	Goals Agst.	Pts.
Rangers	7	5	2	0	15	5	12
Partick T.	6	5	0	1	19	6	10
Celtic	6	4	1	1	18	6	9
Motherwell	6	3	3	0	14	8	9
Hamilton Acads.	7	4	1	2	12	7	9
Cowdenbeath	6	4	0	2	13	9	8
Greenock Morton	6	3	1	2	15	9	7
Dundee	6	3	1	2	11	9	7
St. Mirren	6	3	1	2	8	8	7
Hearts	6	3	0	3	12	14	6
Airdrieonians	6	3	0	3	12	15	6
Queen's Park	6	2	1	3	10	11	5
Kilmarnock	6	2	1	3	9	10	5
Leith A.	6	2	1	3	8	10	5
Falkirk	6	2	1	3	13	16	5
Aberdeen	6	2	0	4	7	10	4
Clyde	6	1	1	4	10	11	3
Hibernians	6	1	1	4	5	14	3
Ayr United	6	0	2	4	8	16	2
East Fife	6	0	0	6	6	31	0

SOUTHERN LEAGUE.

Folkestone	6	Sheppey United	1
Barry Town	2	Plymouth A. Res.	0
Ebbw Vale	6	Bristol R. Res.	3
Taunton Town	1	Newport Co. Res.	2
Torquay U. Res.	2	Exeter City Res.	4

CENTRAL LEAGUE.

Aston Villa Res.	3	Burnley Res.	0
Blackburn R. Res.	3	W. Brom. A. Res.	3
Bury Res	2	Leeds Utd. Res.	3
Derby Co. Res.	2	Sheffield Utd. Res.	0
Everton Res.	2	Birmingham Res.	0
Huddersfield Tn. Res.	2	Preston N.E. Res.	0
Manchester C. Res.	2	Stockport Co. Res.	1
Sheffield Wed. Res.	6	Oldham Ath. Res.	1
Stoke C. Res.	2	Manchester Utd. Res.	0
Wolv'rh'pton W. Res.	4	Liverpool Res.	3

MIDLAND LEAGUE.

Barnsley Res.	3	Frickley Colliery	1
Boston	3	Notts F. Res.	2
Bradford Res.	3	Grimsby Town Res.	2
Gainsboro' Trinity	2	Grantham	2
Hull C Res.	1	Doncaster R. Res.	1
Lincoln C. Res.	4	Scunthorpe Utd.	4
Newark Town	4	Denaby Utd.	1
Notts Co. Res.	2	Bradford C. Res.	2
Rotherham Utd. Res.	2	Chesterfield Res.	1
Scarborough	3	Mansfield Town	6
Wombwell	3	Loughboro' C.	3
Mexborough	4	Shirebrook	1

LONDON COMBINATION.

DIVISION I.

Arsenal Res.	0	Coventry City Res.	2
Bright'n and H.A. R.	3	Queen's Pk. R. Res.	0
Cardiff City Res.	1	Swansea T. Res.	2
Crystal Palace Res.	9	Southampton Res.	1
Millwall Res.	2	Luton Town Res.	1
Portsmouth Res.	1	Leicester City Res.	4
Reading Res.	1	Tottenham H. Res.	2
Southend U. Res.	4	Brentford Res.	1
Watford Res.	7	Charlton A. Res.	2
Clapton O. Res.	3	Fulham Res.	2

DIVISION II.

Aldershot Town	7	Swindon Town Res.	1
Bristol City Res.	2	Guildford City	1
Dartford	2	Bath City	0
Northampton T. Res.	4	Lovell's Ath.	1
Peterboro and F.U.	3	Yeovil and P. Utd.	[illegible]

Amateur Football.

CASUALS FORTUNATE.

NUNHEAD ROUTED AT ILFORD.

There was some heavy scoring in the Isthmian League. ILFORD beat NUNHEAD by 8—2 at Ilford. The home team were superior in both attack and defence. Their forwards were opportunists, and Triesman, their right-back, was the best defender on the field. Nunhead's forwards hesitated far too much in front of goal. Drane (2), Dellow (2), Craymer (2), Peploe, and Potter scored for Ilford; Morgan and Parrish for Nunhead.

Another big Isthmian League win was that of KINGSTONIAN over WOKING at Kingston. They were both faster and cleverer than their opponents. Although Macey did not score any of their six goals, his clever scheming played a part in several of them. T. Beswick, from Bournemouth, was tried at centre-forward for Woking, and he played well enough, being one of the most effective members of their attack. McCarthy (3), Hannam (2), and Hedger scored the Kingstonian goals. Fitzgerald and Beswick were Woking's scorers.

Six For St. Albans.

Nine goals were scored on CLAPTON'S ground, and ST. ALBANS CITY obtained six of them. Quicker on the ball than the home team, St. Albans seized the chances that came their way. The speedy City forwards were given excellent support from their halves, Figg, Short, and Tibbett. Minter (2), Clark, Figg (penalty), Wyatt, and Warwick scored for St. Albans; Oliver (2), and English for Clapton.

CASUALS were fortunate to get an Isthmian point on the ground of WYCOMBE WANDERERS. The home team were the smarter side, and it was Kipping's fine goalkeeping that prevented them from reaping their full reward. Vernon scored Wycombe's three goals. Shearer (2) and Reeves scored for the Casuals.

Although they were kept on the defensive for quite three-quarters of the game at Oxford. LONDON CALEDONIANS won two points at the expense of OXFORD CITY. It was the capital goalkeeping of Jackson that won the Caledonians the match. Hamilton scored the goal—the only goal of the match—that earned the points.

WIMBLEDON won at TUFNELL PARK by the odd goal in three. Their forwards were the stronger combined five, and their halves were cleverer than the Tufnell Park middle line. Dowden and Hopkins scored for Wimbledon; Black for Tufnell Park. Cleverer in ball control and combination, DULWICH HAMLET mastered LEYTONSTONE at Dulwich. Smith scored both goals for Dulwich, and Caiels obtained one for Leytonstone. Page gave a great display in the Leytonstone goal.

Southern Amateur League.

OLD LYONIANS opened their Southern Amateur League programme on EASTBOURNE'S ground, and hardly deserved to lose by 5 goals to 3. Eastbourne's supremacy was confined to the first half, but their forwards made such excellent use of their opportunities that the home club led by four clear goals at the interval. D. Francis scored three, and T. Francis two. Nothing daunted by the heavy arrears the Old Lyonians played some good football in the second half and scored three goals through Weston (2) and Williams.

ATHENIAN LEAGUE.

Hayes	2	Barking Town	0
Walthamstow Avenue	5	Barnet	1
Bromley	0	Enfield	3
Hampstead	6	Cheshunt	0
Redhill	1	Wealdstone	2
Sutton United	0	Uxbridge Town	0
Southall	3	Leyton	2

RESERVE SECTION.

Barking Town	3	Hayes	1
Barnet	5	Walthamstow Avenue	4
Enfield	3	Bromley	5
Cheshunt	2	Hampstead	7
Wealdstone	10	Redhill	1
Uxbridge Town	6	Sutton United	3
Leyton	4	Southall	1

ISTHMIAN LEAGUE.

Ilford	8	Nunhead	2
Clapton	3	St. Albans City	6
Oxford City	0	London Caledonians	1
Wycombe Wanderers	3	Casuals	3
Dulwich Hamlet	2	Leytonstone	1
Kingstonian	6	Woking	2
Tufnell Park	1	Wimbledon	2

RESERVE SECTION.

Wimbledon Res.	1	London Caledonian R.	1

KENT LEAGUE.

Tunbridge Wells	10	Bexley Heath	0
Ashford	5	Royal Marines	0
Margate	1	Chatham	0
Sittingbourne P.M.	2	Dartford	1
Northfleet	9	Dover United	0
Tilbury	0	Gillingham	1
R.N. Depot	3	Grays Thurrock	3
Sittingbourne	7	Maidstone	1

LONDON LEAGUE.

PREMIER DIVISION.

Bostall Heath	2	Chelmsford	4
Erith and Belvedere	1	Epsom Town	4
Grays Ath.	1	Tooting Town	2
Mitcham Wanderers	3	Dagenham Town	1
Walthamstow Grange	2	Carshalton Ath.	2
Whyteleafe Albion	4	Finchley	4

SECOND DIVISION.

Beckenham	2	Standard Telephones	1
Chelmsford	6	Hendon Town	0
Epsom Town	6	Erith and Belvedere	1
Finchley	1	Romford	2
Leavesden Mental H.	8	Mitcham Wanderers	1
U.G.B.M. Sports	2	Park Royal	3

LONDON SENIOR CUP.

Rovers	4	Custom House	0

SPARTAN LEAGUE.

PREMIER DIVISION.

Aylesbury United	3	Egham	1
Colchester Town	2	Brentw'd and Warley	3
Slough	3	Crittal Athletic	2
Metropolitan Police	3	Great Eastern	4
Hounslow	2	Haywards (Enfield)	3
Maidenhead United	6	Wood Green Town	1

FIRST DIVISION

Watford Spartan	2	Eastbourne Comrades	9
Hertford Town	1	Leighton United	3
Berkhamsted	2	Leagrave and District	2
Letchworth Town	5	Apsley	2
Staines Town	6	Hitchin Town	2
Cowley	2	Marlow	5

SECOND DIVISION.—EASTERN SECTION.

Apsley Res.	3	Polytechnic	3
Welwyn Gdn. City	1	Bishops Stortford	3
Lea Bridge Gas	5	Hitchin Res.	2
Lyons Res.	4	Hoddesdon Town	0
Ware	0	Letchworth Res.	2
Callenders	4	Waltham Comrades	2

SECOND DIVISION.—WESTERN SECTION.

Egham Res.	5	Aylesbury Un. Res.	0
R.A.F., Uxbridge	1	Chesham Utd. Res.	3
Farnham United	4	Hazells	1
Willesden Poly.	3	Maidenhead U. Res.	3
R.A.F., Halton	10	Slough Res.	3

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE.

Aquarius	0	Midland Bank	9
Old Lyonians	3	Eastbourne	5

SURREY SENIOR LEAGUE.

West Norwood	5	Hersham	3
Godalming	2	Leyland Motors	1
Dorking	9	Addlestone	2
Guildford	11	Wallington	1
Beddington Corner	1	Camberley & Yorktown	5

CLUB MATCH.

Windsor and Eton	3	Civil Service	2

THE GOAL SCORERS.

DIVISION I.—Birmingham (Briggs 2, Bradford), Manchester City (Brook, Tait); Blackpool (Hampson 2, Quinn), Middlesbrough (Warren, Bruce); Bolton Wanderers (Blackmore), Aston Villa (Waring); Grimsby Town (Prior 2), Sheffield Wednesday (Rimmer 2, Ball); Leeds United (Keetley 2, Duggan, Wainscoat), Blackburn Rovers (Grove, Bruton); Leicester City (Chandler, Lockhead 2), Portsmouth (Easson); Liverpool (Smith), Huddersfield Town (Smailes, Robson, Kelly (G.) 2), Manchester United (Reid 3, Rowley), Newcastle United (Cape 3, Starling 2, Richardson, J., Lindsay); Sheffield United (Tunstall, Gillespie, Dunne), Derby County (Crooks, Barclay, Ramage); Sunderland (Morrison), Arsenal (Lambert 3, Hulme); West Ham United (Watson 2, Earle, James), Chelsea (Law).

DIVISION II.—Bradford City (Keetley, Bristol City (Elliott); Burnley (Brown, Page 2, Prest, Mantle 2, O'Dowd, Jenkins), Reading (Eaton); Charlton Athletic (Horton), Barnsley (Harston); Nottingham Foreset (Dent 3); Oldham Athletic (Dyson Gray 2). Millwall (Cock); Plymouth Argyle (Black 2) Southampton (Cumming 2, Wilson); Port Vale (Griffiths, Baxter); Preston North End (McClelland, Scott, Reed 2, Smith); Wolverhampton Wanderers (Bottrill, Hetherington, Phillips, Harthill); Swansea Town (Easton 3, Williams 2), Bury (Pugh, Smith); Tottenham Hotspur (Dimmock Harper, Cook), Bradford (Kilcar, Parris); West Bromwich Albion (Cookson), Everton (Dean White).

DIVISION III. (South).—Bournemouth and Boscombe A. (Whitehouse), Watford (Holland, P.); Bristol Rovers (Young, Forbes), Crystal Palace (Simpson); Coventry City (Phillips, Ball, Richards 2, Lake, Lindsay own goal, Heap own goal), Thames (Perry); Exeter City (Halliday, Houghton), Torquay United (Trotter 2); Fulham (Hammond, Temple); Northampton Town (Bowen 2); Brentford (Lane, W. 2); Queen's Park Rangers (Coward, Burns, Rounce 2) Brighton and Hove A. (Farrell); Swindon Town (Cruickshank), Notts County (Andrews, Taylor); Walsall (King, Barnes 3, Cooper 3); Luton Town (Yardley, Clark), Southend United (Shankly).

DIVISION III (North).—Accrington Stanley (Riley 2, Whyte Abel Broome), Tranmere Rovers (Meston, Dixon); Barrow (Moon), York City (Fenoughty, Gardner); Chesterfield (Wallbanks 2), Rotherham United (Sellars); Darlington (Wardell), Crewe Alexandra (French, Wright); Hull City (Duncan, Mills); Lincoln City (Dinsdale); Halifax Town (Pape); Wigan Borough (Smedley own goal, Jephson); Rochdale (Stott, Bertram, Craddock Tippett); Wrexham (Bamford, 2, Everest own goal); Southport (Twell), Carlisle United (Hutchison, McConnell); Stockport County (Webster, Brown, Newton), Hartlepools United (Thorne).

CRICKET AVERAGES

SUTCLIFFE'S BIG LEAD.

VERITY OVERTAKES PARKER.

BATTING.

(Qualification, 25 completed innings.)
(Play at match in progress not included.)

	Inngs.	Total Runs.	Highest Inngs.	Times Not out.	Avge.
Sutcliffe	43	2261	173	8	64.60
K. S. Duleepsinhji	48	2562	333	3	56.93
Hammond (Gloster)	44	2032	211*	6	53.47
Leyland	49	2174	211*	7	51.76
Oldroyd	33	1285	164*	8	51.40
Tyldesley (E.)	45	1897	256*	8	51.27
Hobbs	42	2035	146*	2	50.87
Sandham	49	2278	204	4	50.62
Whysall	47	2174	248	3	49.40
Ducat	48	2064	218	6	49.14
Watson (Lancs)	45	1972	135	2	45.86
Woolley (Kent)	50	2023	120	5	44.95
Hendren	47	1920	138	4	44.65
Mitchell (Yorks)	46	1633	176	9	44.13
Holmes (Yorks)	52	2003	132*	6	43.54
Shepherd	47	1771	234	6	43.19
Rev. J. H. Parsons	31	1156	114*	4	42.81
R. E. S. Wyatt	52	1913	174*	7	42.51
O'Connor	45	1601	138	7	42.13
D. N. Moore	34	1317	206	2	41.15
Russell (Essex)	42	1546	178	3	39.64
Walker	43	1461	165*	6	39.48
B. H. Lyon	44	1576	174	3	38.43
N. M. Ford	32	1096	183	3	37.79
Hearne (J. W.)	51	1582	158	8	36.79
Iddon	42	1296	136	6	36.00
Bakewell	50	1701	204	2	35.43
Davies (D.)	54	1539	171	10	34.97
Cutmore	51	1626	180	4	34.59
Nichol (Worcester)	50	1589	262*	4	34.54
Payton	34	999	119*	5	34.44

* Signifies not out.

BOWLING.

(Qualification: 60 Wickets.)

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Avge.
Verity	406.1	154	795	64	12.42
Parker (Glos.)	983.3	297	2199	176	12.49
Tyldesley (R.)	1042.5	351	2212	139	15.91
Larwood	621	124	1622	99	16.38
Freeman (Kent)	1914.3	472	4632	275	16.84
Young (Somerset)	617.3	229	1278	71	18.00
Mitchell (Derby)	1102.2	311	2526	138	18.30
I. A. R. Peebles	871.4	143	2453	133	18.44
Rhodes (Yorks.)	776.5	284	1395	73	19.10
Hopwood	860.2	285	1554	81	19.18
Bowes	875.1	223	1964	101	19.44
J. C. White	1268.3	466	2400	123	19.51
Goddard	1402.2	435	2819	144	19.57
Sinfield	873.3	317	1762	90	19.57
Tate	1238.4	366	2420	122	19.83
Geary (Leics.)	981.2	293	2015	101	19.95
Nichols	875.1	172	2392	118	20.27
Mayer	945.4	248	2197	108	20.34
Clark	606.1	152	1365	67	20.37
Boyes	815	227	1988	97	20.49
Ryan	955.4	187	2748	134	20.50
Slater	829.3	272	1666	81	20.56
Langridge (J.)	1042.3	258	2308	112	20.60
Macdonald	777	171	2216	107	20.71
V. W. C. Jupp	760.4	176	2141	97	21.30
Mercer	1156	310	2499	117	21.35
Hardinge	712.5	269	1418	66	21.48
Brook	974.4	165	2889	132	21.88
R. W. V. Robins	423.1	55	1319	60	21.98
Staples (S. J.)	928.4	270	1936	88	22.00

AUSTRALIAN AVERAGES.

BATTING.

	Inngs.	Total Runs.	Highest Inngs.	Times Not Out.	Avge.
D. G. Bradman	36	2960	334	6	98.66
A. F. Kippax	32	1451	158	7	58.04
W. M. Woodfull	26	1434	216	1	57.36
W. H. Ponsford	33	1425	220*	4	49.13
A. Jackson	35	1097	118	3	34.28
S. McCabe	33	1012	96	2	32.64
V. Y. Richardson	32	832	116	1	26.83
A. Fairfax	27	536	63	6	25.52
E. L. a'Beckett	21	397	67*	5	24.81
W. A. Oldfield	16	219	43*	4	18.25
P. M Hornibrook	26	232	59*	8	12.88
C. V. Grimmett	23	237	50	3	11.85
A. Hurwood	19	188	61	1	10.44
T. W. Wall	19	107	40*	6	8.23
C. W. Walker	14	43	10*	5	4.77

* Signifies not out.

D. G. Bradman, by scoring 140 against a Scottish XI. at Glasgow and 70 against the Club Cricket Conference at Lord's, had an aggregate for the tour of 3,170 runs, with an average of 99.06.

BOWLING.

	Overs.	Mdns.	Runs.	Wkts.	Avge.
C. V. Grimmett	1015.1	262	2427	144	16.85
P. M. Hornibrook	822.2	240	1802	96	18.77
A. F. Kippax	25.3	2	91	4	22.75
D. G. Bradman	76	12	301	12	25.08
A. Hurwood	354	116	752	28	26.85
S. McCabe	281	69	723	26	27.80
T. W. Wall	610.2	111	1638	56	29.25
A. Fairfax	535.4	150	1218	41	29.70
E. L. a'Beckett	343	112	628	20	31.40

The following also bowled:—A. Jackson (5—0—8—0); W. H. Ponsford (1—0—6—0); and V. Y. Richardson (1—0—8—0). In all matches P. M Hornibrook has taken 103 wickets.

CHAMPIONS START BADLY.

RAIN INTERRUPTS GAME AGAINST REST.

Rain at about half-past eleven and again at twelve o'clock delayed the start of the last first-class match of the season for nearly half an hour, but despite this and a very gloomy outlook, quite a good number of people visited the Oval. They had gone to see Lancashire, as county champions, engaged in their final and most severe trial. They were pitted against the Rest of England—not quite a representative eleven, but strong enough to test the abilities of a side who had gone through the season without a defeat

With conditions as they were, A. P. F. Chapman, on winning the toss for the Rest, decided to put his opponents in, and before more rain ended cricket for the day, at one o'clock, the policy was justified Lancashire had lost two wickets for 25 runs in thirty-five minutes.

Nichols, bowling from the pavilion end, made the ball rear up very awkwardly, and in his second over got Watson cleverly caught in the gully from a stroke off the shoulder of the bat. Ernest Tyldesley had made only 1 when he was almost caught in the slips, and after Hopwood had been struck on the hand and body Tyldesley, at 25, was taken by the wicket-keeper standing back. Iddon went in, but directly afterwards the rain sent the players scampering to shelter, and the day's cricket was over.

LANCASHIRE.—First Innings.

Watson, c Chapman, b Nichols	4
Hopwood not out	11
Tyldesley (E.), c Ames, b Nichols	5
Iddon, not out	0
Extras	5
Total (2 wkts)	25

P. T. Eckersley, Paynter, Sibbles, McDonald, Tyldesley (R.) Booth, and Duckworth to bat.

THE REST OF ENGLAND.—A. P. F. Chapman (captain) R. E S Wyatt V. W. C. Jupp, Hobbs, Sutcliffe, Sandham, Leyland, Tate, Nichols, Ames, and Parker.

H.A.C. MEET PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Rain spoilt what promised to be a good game at Armoury House between a strong side of the Richmond Public Schools and a representative H.A.C. XII.

The Schools began batting in a slight drizzle, and with the score at 17, Hadingham, in attempting a third run, was thrown out from the leg boundary by Shepherd. Davies was caught at mid-off, off Taylor, who came quickly from the pitch. Leach and Jarchow were caught in the slips. Leach was taken low down at first slip by Turnbull, the fieldsman rolling over, but holding the ball in his right hand. Maxwell made several good strokes.

With the fall of Jarchow's wicket, after just over an hour's play, the rain came down and play was abandoned. This was the last of the series of holiday matches arranged by the Richmond Public Schools, and twelve of those who have taken part this year will be available next season.

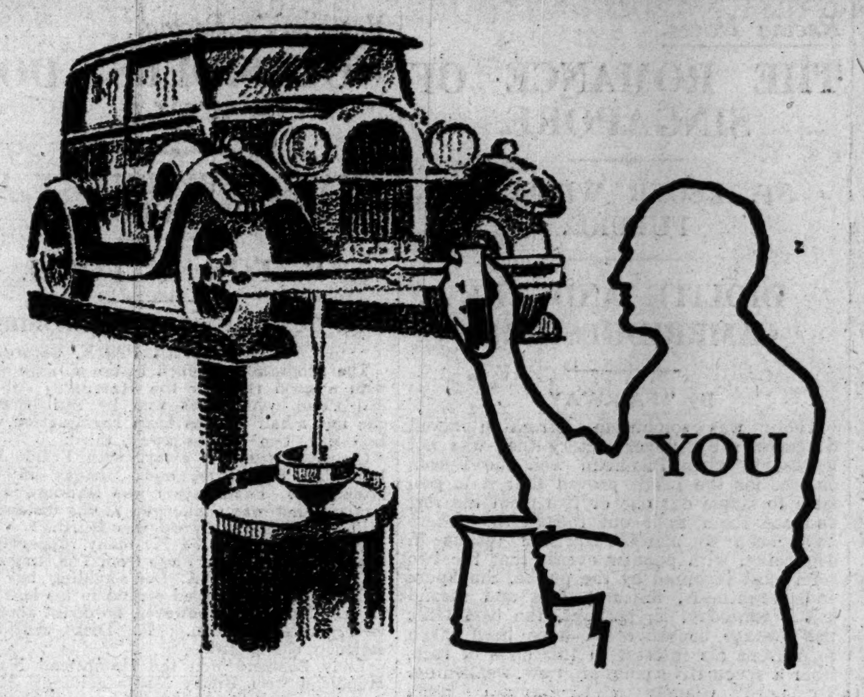
RICHMOND PUBLIC SCHOOLS.—G. M. Leach (Tonbridge), c Turnbull b Taylor, 34; A. W. G. Hadingham (St. Paul's), run out, 3; J. G. W. Davies (Tonbridge), c Shepherd, b Taylor, 13; F. C Jarchow (Brighton), c Parker, b Taylor, 8; C. R. Maxwell (Brighton) not out, 20; extras, 4; total (for four wickets), 82. G. G. Shneerson (St. Paul's), H. T Bartlett (Dulwich), N. H. Bennett (Stowe), R. T. Robinson (Rugby), S. C. Griffith (Dulwich), J. G. Richards (St. Paul's), and J. E. Pasmore (Tonbridge) did not bat.

H.A.C.—P. L. Frith A. S. Soole, F. N. Shepherd, D. J. Brannan, S. Taylor, D. K. Bigg, C. F. Morice, A E. Fellowes, P. E. Riseley, J. McDermid, E. N. Parker, and G. I. M. Turnbull.

YESTERDAY'S ATTENDANCES.

The following are the attendance figures for the principal matches in the four divisions of the League:—

West Ham v. Chelsea	35,000
Liverpool v. Huddersfield	35,000
West Bromwich A. v. Everton	26,000
Sheffield United v. Derby Co.	25,000
Sunderland v. Arsenal	20,000
Plymouth Argyle v. Southampton	20,000
Birmingham v. Manchester City	18,000
Swansea v. Bury	18,000
Tottenham Hotspur v. Bradford	18,000
Blackpool v. Middlesbrough	17,000
Fulham v. Clapton Orient	10,000
Coventry City v. Thames	10,000
Queen's Pk. Rangers v. Brighton	8,000
Exeter City v. Torquay	8,000
Gateshead v. Lincoln City	8,000
Barrow v. York City	7,000
Chesterfield v. Rotherham United	6,500
Stockport Co. v. Hartlepools United	6,000



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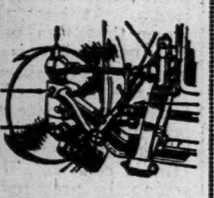

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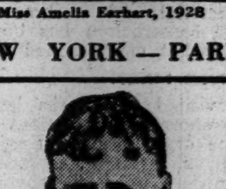

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MOTOR MATTERS

MODERN MANUFACTURING METHODS.

THE HUMBER WORKS.

By GEORGE C. STEAD.

The art of motor-car manufacture has made great advances of recent years. As a result, better cars are now produced at considerably reduced prices.

The 1931 programmes that have already been announced nearly all reveal a reduction in price. Many would-be purchasers are asking whether the lower prices are not due to inferior quality in material or to other causes that would result in a car of lower quality. The fallacy of this suggestion will at once be seen if a visit is made to an up-to-date motor works.

A case in point is that of Humber, Ltd., of Coventry. After a very successful season, the firm has found it possible to produce improved cars for 1931 at considerably reduced prices.

The chief reason for this achievement lies in the complete reorganisation of the works. Humbers have always borne a good reputation for material and workmanship, but hitherto the construction has been carried out on somewhat old-fashioned lines.

ON ORGANISED LINES.

When I visited the works last week I found that enormous alterations had been made in the organisation. Every item of manufacture and assembly is carried out on the most modern lines, thereby securing a considerable saving of time and, therefore, of money.

The "flow" system of manufacture and assembly is adopted throughout. This means that each part, starting as the raw material, commences life at one end of a shop and emerges the finished article at the other end. The finished part is then in the correct position for assembly with other parts which have also "flowed" through the works. In the same way the bare chassis frame is moved slowly along and picks up each component at the point where it has arrived from the manufacturing section. The complete chassis then sets off for its test run, and returns to the works to be connected with its body.

The works are divided into two main parts, in which chassis and body construction are carried out simultaneously. The body shop is scientifically planned, its most notable feature being an endless track which wanders in and out throughout the whole of the works. It carries the bodies gently along for each succeeding operation, starting on the track as a mere shell and finishing its journey as a completed body ready to be dropped on the waiting chassis. Some idea of the length of the track and its speed may be gathered from the fact that it takes fourteen and a-half hours to complete the circuit.

Every operation is timed to a fraction of a second, both for chassis and bodywork, so that when a chassis arrives outside the body-works there is always a body waiting for it.

WORKS MANAGEMENT.

Exactly the same synchronisation is employed throughout the works, so that exactly the right amount of parts arrive for each component, and there is always the correct number of components for each chassis. If for instance a chassis arrives and there is no body for it, work is at once stopped in the chassis building works, and no more are produced until the "flow" of bodies has recommenced. Exactly the same occurs if there is any stoppage in the chassis section. Work on the bodywork is at once stopped until the two streams are flowing freely.

This will give some idea of the delicate balance of a modern works. The maker can more or less depend on the parts he makes himself, but there are dozens of fittings which have to come from outside makers, and the failure of any one of these to arrive will hold up the entire works.

In the old days the two sections of the works operated almost independently. If there was a stoppage on the chassis side the bodyworks still went on working, accumulating bodies, occupying storage space and locking up considerable sums of money. All this is now done away with.

A works manager nowadays has to be more of a mathematician than a working mechanic, and the output is regulated by a stop-watch.

As a result of this reorganisation and the adoption of more scientific buying, Humber, Ltd., have been able to announce reduced prices while giving increased value. The Humber range for 1931 is made up of three types of six-cylinder chassis each with a wide range of coachwork. The cars are the 16/50 h.p., the Snipe and the Pullman, while the price range is from £395 to £995.

These chassis are in the main similar to those which were so successful this season, but numerous improvements, which give increased power, smoother running, and a better performance, have been incorporated.

MOTORING MAPS.

The Automobile Association has produced an entirely new "quarter-inch" series of maps covering the whole of Great Britain.

The primary object is to provide a reliable guide to the highways and byways of the country, which have been classified under (1) Recommended Throughways and (2) Good Motoring Roads, both of which show the grade numbers of the Ministry of Transport; (3) Other Serviceable Roads, while certain roads not in general use, private roads, and bridle and footpaths are also indicated. The value of these maps to the motorist lies in the fact that the road information is based on an actual survey made by the A.A.

MORE 1931 MODELS.

The programme of Citroën Cars, Ltd., for 1931 is notable for the extremely low prices which are quoted. A 12.8 h.p. four-cylinder four-door all-steel saloon is available for £185, and a 19.3 h.p. six-cylinder with a similar body at £235. These prices are really remarkable, and the makers state that they have been made possible by reorganising the factory at Slough to secure largely-increased production and by the co-operation of British accessory manufacturers.

There are numerous modifications in the smaller model as compared with its predecessor. There are new front and back axles, new clutch, new steering, new type gear-box, and many engine improvements. The reductions in price as compared with 1930 are £70 in the smaller model and £63 in the six.

Fiats for next season are concentrating on chassis of three different powers. These are the 10-30 h.p., introduced this year, the 18-55 h.p. in two lengths of chassis, and the 20-70 h.p.

The three models were so successful during the current season that they are being continued with various improvements, while the prices have been considerably reduced. This is rendered possible owing to considerable economies having been effected in manufacturing costs, especially through the establishment of the new factory at Acton.

For the coming season an attractive new model has been introduced by Minerva. It takes the form of a 22-28 h.p. eight-cylinder model, which sells, complete with an enclosed drive limousine, for £950. The engine, which has its eight cylinders in line, is of the sleeve-valve type, and is stated to develop 90 h.p. at 3,200 r.p.m. The four-speed box has a "silent" third, while the brakes are vacuum assisted. The equipment is very complete, including bumpers, two spare wheels and tyres, and a large luggage trunk.

Light Lamps (London):—8.19 p.m.

ULSTER MOTOR CYCLE GRAND PRIX, Sept. 6. 500 c.c. Class FIRST, SECOND and THIRD. Stanley Woods (NORTON), C. J. P. Dodson (SUNBEAM), H. G. Tyrell Smith (RUDGE). All chose Wakefield CASTROL Motor Oil, the famous product of an ALL-BRITISH Firm.—C. C. Wakefield and Co., Ltd., Wakefield House, Cheapside, London, E.C.2. [ADVT.]

Racing Notes.

THE ROMANCE OF SINGAPORE.

ST. LEGER WINNER'S FUTURE.

DIOLITE AND THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE.

By "FAIRWAY."

There was something refreshing about Singapore's St. Leger victory that was not noticeable when Blenheim won the Epsom classic, for the result proved that it is possible to single out one or two from the rest and see them fight out the finish. There have been so many surprising results in connection with popular events that the two colts most favoured by the public, Singapore and Parenthesis, finishing first and second last Wednesday, is, perhaps, the best tonic the average backer could have been given to prevent his interest in this class of race, from a speculative point of view, weakening. To Lord Glanely and Captain Hogg Singapore's win was a personal triumph. There were, for instance, many who were prepared to have a private wager with Captain Hogg that he would not get the colt on to a race track, and I found quite a number surrounding him after the victory laughingly reminding him of their remarks at the same time as they congratulated him on the success. I do not think it was Lord Glanely's intention to give anything like £12,500 for the colt, for the opinion he obtained warned him of troubles in store. Yet, having taken a fancy to Singapore, he made up his mind to buy him, even with the grave risk that the colt would prove as disappointing as Westward Ho and Blue Tit, two other high-price purchases that failed badly in public.

As is well known, Singapore could not be produced on the race tracks in his first season, and when introduced in the spring of this year it was obvious that it would be well towards the autumn before the colt was likely to be anywhere near fit. It is, therefore, not difficult to imagine the personal satisfaction the victory gave Lord Glanely and his trainer. Parenthesis stood revealed as the pick of the lot on public running, which kept him well to the fore in the minds of those who attempted to solve the problem, but the wholehearted confidence behind Singapore caused him to be as soundly supported. It is possible that Singapore will not be retired to the stud, but put by with the object of trying to add a Gold Cup triumph at Ascot to his owner's credit. At least, I gather from Captain Hogg that this may be the arrangement. The impression is that he will be vastly improved by next season.

It is a matter of more than slight importance that Diolite was unable to give of his best form through being cut into. This is a point of interest, as it is possible Sir Hugo Hirst's colt will, if none the worse for the outing, be prepared for the Cambridgeshire.

THE CESAREWITCH.

Our attention is directed towards Brown Jack in connection with the Cesarewitch Stakes on account of yet another brilliant performance last week, when he won the Doncaster Cup. We have, for instance, ample proof that he is as good as ever, and is, in fact, to be regarded as the greatest stayer in the country. But before being led away into thinking that, in spite of having top weight in the Newmarket race, his record in numerous staying events suggest there can be few with better chances, it may be as well to recognise that the "Cesarewitch" is not run in a fashion that seems to suit him best. It is, as a rule, a pillar-to-post gallop, and this, as far as we are entitled to think, after recalling Brown Jack's running in the event last October, is not the style that suits him best. He is not a horse one can afford to oppose, but at the same time the lesson we learned last year, when he finished third to West Wicklow and Friendship, is that there is a limit to his stamina when asked to come through all the way. By his success last week his weight has been brought up to 9 st. 6 lb., and I am doubtful if he will do any better with six pounds more than he carried last October than he did then. He is again likely to find Mr. J. B. Joel's colt, Friendship, too good if this five-year-old comes through his preparation safely. Incidentally, there are unfavourable reports in circulation concerning Friendship, which must not pass unheeded, but if we ignore him for the time being, there are many others that threaten danger to Brown Jack at the weights. The event is, however, too far ahead to warrant close attention at the moment.

PORTLAW'S SUCCESS.

Although the Champagne Stakes, the "juvenile classic," resulted, as I expected, when Portlaw beat Lemnarchus, I am doubtful, when they meet again, if the Stockbridge colt will be able to confirm the smart form. But for most tender handling, I doubt if Portlaw would have won on Tuesday, for he was stopping rapidly and came near to being beaten by Turtle Soup, who, at Whatcombe, is regarded as a non-stayer. Lemnarchus was beaten from the start by the yielding nature of the going, and he could do no better than finish third. I think we can safely anticipate that when the conditions are right for him next year he will leave them all behind when it comes to tackling a mile.

Ayr presents its usually attractive programmes this week following on a couple of days at Edinburgh, and the quality of the sport overshadows everything else. The Gold Cup, which is decided on the last day, will probably include among the starters that game aged sprinter, Oak Ridge, who according to the way he shaped in a sprint race against Polar Bear last week in a torrential downpour and holding going, showed that all conditions are the same to him. But with 9 st. 12 lb. it is not easy to favour him, for there are many useful candidates due to compete, including Lord Glanely's Grandmaster, winner of the Wokingham Stakes and other events, as well as Heronslea, who was very unlucky not to have won at Manchester. There are others with fair chances, but against the two I have mentioned, Grandmaster and Heronslea, they fail to make special appeal. Lord Glanely's colt appears to be improving in spite of a more or less active season, and as this is Lord Glanely's year of triumph the Ayr Gold Cup may also be his. In addition to speed, Grandmaster also stays well, and it is on this score I select him.

The three days are crowded with features, including the Scottish Derby on the first afternoon. I append a few fancies:—

WARWICK.—Monday.
Midland Handicap.—ON APPROVAL.

EDINBURGH.—Monday.
Buccleuch Handicap.—SERGEANT CUSTUME.
Lothian Handicap.—WESTERN FLIER.
Prestonpans Nursery.—BALMY BREEZE.

EDINBURGH.—Tuesday.
Edinburgh Gold Cup.—SARGASSO.
Barnbougle Nursery.—JOAN LOWELL.
Inveresk Sweepstakes.—SMOKED SALMON.

AYR.—Wednesday.
Craigengillan Plate.—SEATON ROSS.
Scottish Derby.—OLD FRIEND.
Auchincruive Handicap.—SCOTCH LAMENT.
West of Scotland Foal Plate.—YELLOW DUN.

AYR.—Thursday.
Montgomerie Nursery.—ROME.
Ayrshire Handicap.—NORMAN BARON.
Arran Nursery.—ITSAGIFT.
Kyle Stakes.—LIVID.

AYR.—Friday.
Alloway Plate.—FIRESPOT FILLY.
Ayr Gold Cup.—GRANDMASTER.
Land of Burns Nursery.—FROISSEE.

WINDSOR.—Friday.
Windsor Handicap.—LEMONETTA.
Merry Wives Nursery.—MOTOR BOAT.

WINDSOR.—Saturday.
Royal Borough Handicap.—JOHN DORY.
Ivor Nursery.—AERIAL FLIGHT.

Yesterday's Racing.

OUTSIDERS DO WELL.

SMART PERFORMANCE BY YUTRILL.

F. FOX IN FORM.

From OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT.

ALEXANDRA PARK, Saturday.

The programme opened before a large crowd with a good race for the Harringay All-aged (S.) Plate, which was won by Still Free by one and a-half lengths from Exclamation, with Lop Ear, two lengths away, third.

Courtesy was first away, with Frank Bare, Lop Ear, Still Free, and Monday in close attendance. Exclamation was leading in the straight, but was challenged at the distance by Still Free. Silver Sword was fourth.

Private Seal pleased his many supporters by winning the Juvenile Plate from The Ring easily by two lengths. Mr. A. Don's gelding has been unlucky in being placed second in his last three races. There was, however, no doubt about his victory this afternoon. R. Dick was never seriously challenged.

Lady Sheffield won the Hampstead Nursery Handicap with Pretty Missie gelding. It was a good race between the winner and Nitsichin. The latter dwelt at the start, and this probably spoilt her chance of victory, for she made up a lot of ground and just failed to catch Pretty Missie gelding, who won by a neck.

A good-class field turned out for the September Handicap Plate, including Yutrill, the winner, Carl's Caress, Pictoralas, Miss Linn, and Garnock. Parchment II. was first off, followed by Miss Linn, Old Herkie, Mrs. Siddons, and Ring o' Roses. The last named then took the lead, and was in front until one and a-half furlongs from home, where Yutrill challenged and went on to win by three-quarters of a length from Ring o' Roses. Miss Linn beat Garnock for third place. The failure of Pictoralas came as a great disappointment.

Details:—

3.0.—HARRINGAY ALL-AGED (S.) PLATE (£200) (1m. 150yds.).
Still Free (Mr. R. Bray), b h by Bachelor's Craft, dam by Dumbarton Castle—Run, 8 yrs., 9 st. 7 lb. .... (F. Fox) 1
Exclamation (Mr. E. G. de Mestre), ch h by By Jingo—Miss Bachelor, 7 yrs., 9 st. 7 lb. .... (C. Ray) 2
Lop Ear (Mrs. V. D. Sainsbury), b f by Pelops—Slave Market, 3 yrs., 8 st. 10 lb. (H. Wragg) 3
Also ran: Friar Gray, Baldernock, Acrobatic, Benedictus, Tested, Courtesy, Silver Sword, Frank Bare, Mutual Benefit, Monday. (Winner trained by Hy. Powney.)
Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle*: 9 to 4 agst Frank Bare, 4 to 1 Courtesy, 6 to 1 Silver Sword, STILL FREE, 100 to 8 Lop Ear, 100 to 6 Exclamation, Baldernock, Acrobatic, 20 to 1 others. 1½ l., 2 l.

3.30.—JUVENILE (S.) PLATE (£200) (5f.).
Private Seal (Mr. A. Don), ch g by Monarch—Killia, 8 st. 11 lb. .... (R. Dick) 1
The Ring (Lady Ludlow), ch c by Happy Man—Bright Maid, 9 st. .... (Elliott) 2
Goosander (Mr. V. Malcolm), b g by Somme Kiss—Goosie, 8 st. 11 lb. ......(H. Leach) 3
Also ran: Scotch Plume, Emancipator, Van, Vica, Defibridge. (Winner trained by V. Smyth.)
Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle*: 13 to 8 agst PRIVATE SEAL, 2 to 1 Scotch Plume, 5 to 1 Goosander, The Ring, 20 to 1 others. 2 l., 3 l.

4.0.—HAMPSTEAD NURSERY HANDICAP PLATE (£150) (1m. 150yds.).
Pretty Missie gelding (Lady Sheffield), by Obliterate, 8 st. 2 lb. ...... (G. Richards) 1
Nitsichin (Mr. D. S. Kennedy), b f by Achtoi—Latium, 8 st. 1 lb. ...... (H. Harman) 2
Dutch Mystery (Mrs. V. Tyrwhitt Drake), b or ro f by Triumph or Fantomas—Dutch Lass, 7 st. 6 lb. .... (F. Sharpe) 3
Also ran: Lady Hill colt, Sabretashe, Ropes, False Note colt, Roubinky filly. (Winner trained by Higgs.)
Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle*: 100 to 30 agst Sabretashe, 7 to 2 Ropes, Lady Hill colt, 9 to 2 PRETTY MISSIE GELDING, 6 to 1 Roubinky filly, 8 to 1 Dutch Mystery, 100 to 8 others. Neck; 2 l.

4.30.—SEPTEMBER H'CAP PLATE (£500) (1m. 150yds.).
Yutrill (Mr. S. A. Barry), br h by Yutoi—Santrilla, 6 yrs., 8 st. 7 lb. ......(F. Fox) 1
Ring o' Roses (Mr. W. J. Waldron), br f by Sir Rowland—Broken Toy, 4 yrs., 7 st. 2 lb. (Gethin) 2
Miss Linn (Mr. W. M. Cazalet), ch f by Gainsborough—Willonette, 4 yrs., 8 st. 8 lb. (R. Jones) 3
Also ran: Pictoralas, Garnock, Friar Wile, Old Herkie, Parchment II., Financier, Footmark, Observer, Carl's Caress, Just So, Mrs. Siddons, Camp Girl. (Winner trained by Whalley.)
Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle*: 6 to 1 agst Carl's Caress, 7 to 1 Pictoralas, Old Herkie, Observer, 8 to 1 Garnock, Miss Linn, 9 to 1 YUTRILL, 10 to 1 Footmark, 100 to 6 Ring o' Roses, Mrs. Siddons, 20 to 1 Just So, 33 to 1 others. ¾ l., 1 l.

5.0.—FINSBURY H'CAP PLATE (£150) (5f.).
Douglas (Sir M. McAlpine), br g by Pelops—Tradition, 3 yrs., 7 st. 6 lb. ... (F. Fox) 1
The Urchin (Mr. B. D. Davis), br g by Stratford—Lawless, 4 yrs., 8 st. 4 lb. (G. Richards) 2
Red Queen (Mr. G. C. Sneyd), ch f by Prince Galahad—Machila, 4 yrs., 7 st. 10 lb. .... (E. Smith) 3
Also ran: Benburb, Priamus, Overmist, Noranda, Soldier's Fare, Sirene, Owning, Regal Love. (Winner trained by J. M. Bell.)
Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle*: 7 to 4 agst The Urchin, 9 to 2 DOUGLAS, 5 to 1 Overmist, 7 to 1 Noranda, 10 to 1 Red Queen, Owning, 20 to 1 others. 4 l., short head.

5.25.—MUSWELL PLATE (£200) (1m. 5f.).
Auction Pool (Mr. R. Brendon), b g by Baalgad—Auctioneering, 5 yrs., 8 st. 4 lb. (H. Wragg) 1
Cap-a-Pie (Lord Derby), b g by Gay Crusader—Trestle 5 yrs., 9 st. 4 lb. (Weston) 2
Law Suit (Mr. A. E. Berry), b c by Son-in-Law—Swiney, 5 yrs., 9 st. (G. Richards) 3
Also ran: Saint Reynard, Kinnaird, Lemonetta. (Winner trained by Holland.)
Betting.—*Sporting Chronicle*: 85 to 40 agst Cap-a-Pie, 10 to 30 Law Suit, 7 to 2 AUCTION POOL, 5 to 1 Lemonetta, 8 to 1 Kinnaird, 20 to 1 Saint Reynard. 1 l., 6 l.

RIPON.

3.0.—WAKEMAN NURSERY H'CAP. PLATE (£150) (6f.).—**Apple Ring** (100 to 8 agst, Forsyth), 1; Rejected Countess (2 to 1, Simpson), 2; Motor Boat (3 to 1, J. Leach), 3. 9 ran. (Winner trained by G. Sadler.) Head, ¾ l.
Totalisator (2s. stake).—Win, 45s. 3d.; places, 5s. 9d., 2s. 6d., 3s. 3d.; win pool, 4,068; place pool, 3,691.

3.30.—BOROUGHBRIDGE (S.) NURSERY H'CAP. (£130) (5f.).—**Paula filly** (4 to 1 agst, Lowrey), 1; Chariot (100 to 6, Thwaites), 2; Bold Jean (10 to 1, P. Evans), 3. 9 ran. (Winner trained by Kirk.) Neck, 4 l.
Totalisator.—Win, 4s.; places, 3s., 7s. 6d., 7s. 9d.; win pool, 4,551; place pool, 4,060.

4.0.—RIPLEY PLATE (£130) (2m.).—**Desert Sheik** (9 to 4 on Mr. W. Carr), 1; Highland Lad (100 to 6 agst, Mr. H. Barker), 2; Stripanatit (4 to 1, Mr. Renton) 3. 4 ran. (Winner trained by Carr.) Head, 6 l.
Totalisator.—Win, 2s. 9d.; pool, 3,257.

4.30.—RIPON AUTUMN H'CAP. (£200) (1½m.).—**Prohibition** (3 to 1 agst, Thwaites), 1; Obvious (3 to 1, Simpson), 2; Sabine Sailor (8 to 1, A. Richardson), 3. 6 ran. (Winner trained by Bazley.) 2 l., 3 l.
Totalisator.—Win, 8s. 9d.; places, 3s. 9d., 4s. 3d.; win pool, 4,994; place pool, 2,603.

5.0.—HARROGATE (S.) H'CAP PLATE (£130) (1m.).—**Saugor** (9 to 4 agst, Forsyth), 1; Marita (7 to 2, Skelton), 2; Stormy (5 to 2, P. Beasley), 3. 9 ran. (Winner trained by Drake.) 5 l., 3 l.
Totalisator.—Win, 7s. 3d.; places, 2s. 6d., 2s. 6d., 2s. 6d.; win pool, 5,405; place pool, 5,462.

5.25.—CURFEW PLATE (£150) (1m.).—**Fireaway** (3 to 1 on, P. Beasley), 1; Tyen (7 to 2 agst, Jameson), 2; Steel Boy (100 to 6, Nevett), 3. 3 ran. (Winner trained by R. J. Colling.) 2 l., 5 l.
Totalisator.—Win, 2s. 9d.; pool, 1,987.
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Lindrum told an *Exchange Telegraph Company* representative that he is feeling fit, but on the journey over to England he had the misfortune to have three teeth knocked out by luggage falling on to him. "I am very delighted to return again to this wonderful country of yours, and, as I told you when I returned home last spring, my countrymen of the cricket variety would be in possession of the Ashes when I returned again. You see," said Lindrum smilingly, "I have proven a good prophet, but I forget who my wagers were made with."

Lindrum denied the statement that he would only enter the Professional Championship of English billiards on condition that if he was successful in gaining the title the next championship would have to be played in Australia. "I have also noticed that I have been stated to have said that it is my wish to give English professionals a big start. If the suggested starts are cut down by half I should have all my work cut out to defeat my opponents."

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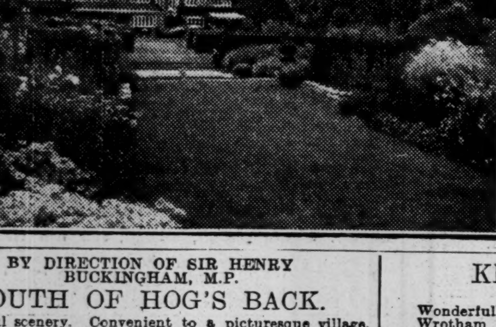

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